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1 **[NOTICE OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION**

2 **TUESDAY, MAY 27, 2003, BEGINS ON PAGE 217.]**

3 There was no reportable action as a result of today's closed
4 session.

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7 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** PASTOR MARTY BRAUER, BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN
8 CHURCH OF CANYON COUNTRY AND FROM THE FIFTH DISTRICT, THE
9 PLEDGE WILL BE WILLIE DORN, QUARTERMASTER, HOWARD M.
10 RICHARDSON POST NUMBER 5349, VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE
11 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FROM THE FOURTH DISTRICT. WOULD YOU
12 PLEASE STAND?

13

14 **PASTOR MARTY BRAUER:** THANK YOU FOR INVITING ME HERE TODAY. I
15 WOULD ASK THAT AS WE PRAY TO OUR LORD THAT WE WOULD ALL TAKE A
16 POSTURE OF HUMILITY BEFORE HIM. ALMIGHTY GOD, HEAVENLY FATHER,
17 WE ASK YOU TO HEAR US NOW. LORD, I'VE ASKED FOR YOUR LEADING
18 IN THE DECISION TO COME HERE TODAY AND FOR WORDS OF WISDOM TO
19 SPEAK ON YOUR BEHALF. I PRAY THESE WORDS AND MY PRESENCE HERE
20 ARE PLEASING TO YOU. THOUGH THE LAWS OF MAN ARE NOW DEMANDING
21 THAT IN GOVERNANCE OF EARTHLY MATTERS WE INVOKE SOME MAGICAL,
22 MYSTICAL, INOFFENSIVE BEING. I CANNOT DO THAT. RATHER THAN
23 OBEY MAN, I'VE CHOSEN TO OBEY YOU GOD, AND IN DOING SO, I'M
24 INVOKING YOUR NAME, THE NAME OF THE ONE TRUE GOD, FATHER, SON,
25 HOLY SPIRIT, OUR CREATOR, OUR REDEEMER, OUR SANCTIFIER AND ASK



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1 YOU TO BE PRESENT WITH US TODAY. YOU TELL US IN YOUR OWN WORDS
2 IN THE BOOK OF PSALMS THAT THE HEAVENS DECLARE YOUR GLORY, THE
3 SKIES PROCLAIM THE WORK OF YOUR HANDS, THAT WE ARE LEFT
4 WITHOUT EXCUSE AND ONLY THE FOOL SAYS THERE IS NO GOD. LORD,
5 HELP US BE WISE. ON BEHALF OF THE MEN AND WOMEN YOU HAVE
6 RAISED UP TO SERVE AS LEADERS IN THIS GREAT COUNTRY, OF THIS
7 STATE, AND HERE IN THIS COUNTY, MAKE THEM WISE TO YOU, O LORD,
8 TO YOUR PRESENCE, TO YOUR POWER, AND, MOST IMPORTANTLY, TO
9 YOUR LOVE. GRANT ALSO YOUR WISDOM, LORD, TO THESE LEADERS,
10 WHOM YOU HAVE GIVEN THE AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITY TO GOVERN
11 OUR WAY OF LIFE, THAT IN ALL DECISIONS THEY MAKE TODAY, THEY
12 ARE MINDFUL OF THE AWESOME RESPONSIBILITY THEY HAVE TO THE
13 PEOPLE THEY REPRESENT AND TO YOU, AND ON BEHALF OF THE LEADERS
14 IN THIS ROOM, I WANT TO THANK YOU, LORD, THANK YOU FOR GIVING
15 THESE MEN AND WOMEN SUCH AN HONOR AND PRIVILEGE TO USE THEIR
16 GIFTS, ESPECIALLY THEIR GIFT OF LEADERSHIP IN THE MANNER YOU
17 HAVE CALLED UPON THEM TO SERVE. BLESS THEM, LORD, BLESS THEIR
18 HUSBANDS, THEIR WIVES, THEIR SONS AND DAUGHTERS, BLESS THEM IN
19 THEIR HOMES, BLESS THEM IN THEIR WORK, BLESS THEM IN THEIR
20 LEADERSHIP AND BLESS THEM IN THEIR LOVE FOR YOU AND FOR EACH
21 OTHER. I LIFT THEM UP TO YOU, O LORD. AND FINALLY, LORD, THANK
22 YOU FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY TO LIFT YOU UP, TO REMIND ALL WHO ARE
23 TRULY LISTENING OF THIS TRUTH, GOD IS GOD, AND WE'RE NOT, NOW,
24 OR EVER WILL BE, AND WITH THAT IN MIND, KEEP US HUMBLE, LORD,
25 ALWAYS OPEN TO YOUR LEADING IN OUR LIVES, AND BECAUSE YOU TELL



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1 US IN FIRST TIMOTHY CHAPTER 2 THAT THERE'S ONLY ONE MEDIATOR
2 BETWEEN GOD AND MAN, AND THAT MEDIATOR IS JESUS CHRIST, I PRAY
3 THIS TO YOU IN HIS NAME. AMEN.

4

5 **WILLIE DORN:** WOULD YOU PLACE YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER YOUR HEART
6 AND FACE THE FLAG AND JOIN ME IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.
7 [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE]

8

9 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, PASTOR
12 MARTIN BRAUER IS A -- IN A SECOND CAREER AS PASTOR AFTER
13 LEAVING THE BUSINESS FIELD, HE ENTERED THE SEMINARY, IS NOW
14 THE SENIOR PASTOR AT BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH. HE'S MARRIED
15 AND HE HAS TWO CHILDREN AND WE APPRECIATE HIS COMING DOWN THIS
16 MORNING. THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, LEADING US
19 TODAY IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE IS RETIRED TECHNICAL
20 SERGEANT, WILLIE DORN, WHO LIVES IN THE CITY OF LONG BEACH,
21 CURRENTLY SERVES AS QUARTERMASTER FOR THE HOWARD M. RICHARDSON
22 POST NUMBER 5349, VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED
23 STATES OF AMERICA. SERGEANT DORN SERVED IN THE KOREAN WAR FROM
24 1951 THROUGH 1960 WITH THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE AND
25 RECEIVED SEVERAL COMMENDATIONS, INCLUDING THE KOREAN SERVICE



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1 MEDAL WITH TWO STARS. HE HAS LIVED IN THE DISTRICT FOR 27
2 YEARS WITH FOUR CHILDREN AND IS A GRADUATE OF FLORIDA A AND M.
3 UNIVERSITY. MY PLEASURE TO SAY THANK YOU TO SERGEANT WILLIE
4 DORN FOR LEADING US IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TODAY. [
5 APPLAUSE]

6

7 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WE'LL NOW CALL THE AGENDA. NOW AFTER WE DO
8 THIS WE'LL DO PRESENTATIONS.

9

10 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** OKAY, ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR,
11 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. WE'LL BEGIN ON PAGE 5. AGENDA FOR THE
12 MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF SANITATION DISTRICT
13 NUMBER 27, ITEM ONE.

14

15 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY KNABE, SECONDED BY YAROSLAVSKY.
16 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE
17 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, 1-D, AND THE AGENDA FOR THE
18 MEETING OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY, ITEM 1-H, SHOULD BE TAKEN UP
19 AFTER PUBLIC HEARING ITEM NUMBER 5. AND NOW WE'LL TAKE UP
20 ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS. ON PAGE 14, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
21 ITEMS 13 THROUGH 26, AND I HAVE THE FOLLOWING REQUEST. ON ITEM
22 NUMBER 18, HOLD FOR WARREN WILLIAMS. ON ITEM 21, HOLD FOR
23 GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL AND OTHER. ON ITEM 25, HOLD FOR SUPERVISOR
24 YAROSLAVSKY. AND THE REST ARE BEFORE YOU.

25



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1 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY KNABE.

2 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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4 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, ITEMS 27 THROUGH
5 39. ON ITEM NUMBER 27, HOLD FOR SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. ITEM 28
6 AND 29 ARE BEFORE YOU.

7

8 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY KNABE.

9 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

10

11 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** FIRE DEPARTMENT, ITEM 30.

12

13 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY KNABE.

14 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

15

16 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** HEALTH SERVICES, ITEMS 31 THROUGH 33. ON
17 ITEM NUMBER 31, HOLD FOR GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. ITEM NUMBER 32
18 INCLUDES THE REVISION AS NOTED ON THE GREEN SHEET, AND ITEM
19 33. SO THOSE ARE BEFORE YOU.

20

21 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY

22 YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

23

24 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** INTERNAL SERVICES, ON ITEM 34, HOLD FOR
25 SUPERVISOR KNABE. PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES, ITEM 35.



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2 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY
3 ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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5 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** PUBLIC WORKS, ITEM 36.

6

7 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY KNABE, SECONDED BY YAROSLAVSKY.
8 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

9

10 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** SEPARATE MATTERS, ITEM 37 THROUGH 39. ON
11 ITEM NUMBER 37, HOLD FOR SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, BRUCE
12 CAMPBELL, AND OTHERS. ON ITEM NUMBER 38, AS NOTED ON THE GREEN
13 SHEET, THE CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THE ITEM BE
14 CONTINUED FOR TWO WEEKS.

15

16 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IT'S CONTINUED FOR TWO WEEKS.

17

18 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ON ITEM 39, HOLD FOR REPORT.
19 MISCELLANEOUS, ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA REQUESTED BY BOARD
20 MEMBERS AND THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, WHICH WERE
21 POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING, AS
22 INDICATED ON THE GREEN SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ITEM NUMBER 40-A.

23

24 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY BURKE, SECONDED BY KNABE. WITHOUT
25 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.



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2 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ON ITEM 40-B, HOLD FOR WARREN WILLIAMS.
3 ITEM 40-C.

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5 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY KNABE.
6 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

7

8 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** AND THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE
9 AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH
10 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NUMBER 1.

11

12 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WE WILL TAKE THE PRESENTATIONS
13 AND THEN LET ME GIVE YOU AN IDEA OF HOW WE INTEND TO GO
14 FORWARD. AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE PRESENTATIONS, WE'LL TAKE
15 AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 39 WHICH IS A REPORT ON S.A.R.S., BECAUSE
16 THE CONSUL-GENERAL OF JAPAN AND THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA
17 HAVE REQUESTED TO SPEAK. AFTER THAT, WE'LL TAKE ITEM 37, THE
18 NEWHALL PLAN PER THE FIFTH DISTRICT REQUEST. NOW, ON THE
19 PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS, I WOULD SUGGEST WE START WITH ITEM
20 NUMBER 5 AND TAKE THAT BEFORE WE GO TO OTHER THINGS. IN FACT,
21 MAYBE WE SHOULD TAKE THAT BEFORE ITEM NUMBER 37, IF THERE'S NO
22 OBJECTIONS TO THAT. ARE THERE ANY PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN ASKED
23 TO SPEAK ON ITEM 5? FIVE. THERE ARE? OKAY. SO WE'LL TAKE THAT
24 -- WE'LL TAKE 5 BEFORE THE NEWHALL RANCH, SO THAT WAY WE CAN



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1 CLEAR THE AGENDA ON SOME OF THE OTHER ITEMS. ALL RIGHT. AND
2 THE PRESENTATIONS START WITH THE -- THE FIRST DISTRICT?

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4 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** THE FIRST DISTRICT.

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6 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, THE FIRST DISTRICT HAS NO
7 PRESENTATIONS THAT WE KNOW OF, AND SO I'LL GO ON. NOW, IT'S MY
8 PLEASURE TO INVITE TO THE PODIUM MR. STEPHEN BOLLENBACH,
9 CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD, AND MR. J. CURTIS MACK, PRESIDENT OF
10 THE WORLD AFFAIRS COUNCIL OF LOS ANGELES. ARE THEY PRESENT?
11 THE WORLD AFFAIRS COUNCIL IS CELEBRATING ITS 50TH ANNIVERSARY
12 AND THIS BOARD IS PLEASED TO JOIN IN THE CELEBRATION, AND THE
13 WORLD AFFAIRS COUNCIL, A NONPROFIT, NONPARTISAN ORGANIZATION,
14 IS AN EXTREMELY IMPORTANT ORGANIZATION IN THE LOS ANGELES
15 COUNTY SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA REGION. AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE
16 COUNCIL INVITES TO LOS ANGELES WORLD LEADERS, EXPERTS, AND
17 SCHOLARS ON WORLD AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, AND
18 HIGH PROFILE LEADERS AND DECISION MAKERS IN A MYRIAD OF FIELDS
19 AND ENDEAVORS AND PROVIDES THEM A FORUM TO SPEAK ON CRITICAL
20 GLOBAL ISSUES AND CONCERNS, AND TO SHARE THEIR INSIGHTS. MY
21 COLLEAGUES AND I HAVE, ON MANY OCCASIONS, ATTENDED THESE
22 IMPORTANT EVENTS AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO THEM. THEY GIVE US AN
23 OPPORTUNITY TO HEAR MANY LEADERS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD, AND
24 SINCE 2000 THE COUNCIL HAS HOSTED HEADS OF STATE, CHIEFS OF
25 GOVERNMENT, MEMBERS OF ROYAL FAMILIES, MINISTERS, AMBASSADORS



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1 FROM MANY COUNTRIES, INCLUDING ARMENIA, BULGARIA, CANADA,
2 CHILE, CHINA, COLUMBIA, CZECH REPUBLIC, EGYPT, IRELAND, IRAN,
3 ISRAEL, JORDAN, LEBANON, PAKISTAN, POLAND, SAUDI ARABIA,
4 SWITZERLAND, UNITED KINGDOM, AND MANY AMERICAN AMBASSADORS. IN
5 2001, MAY, PRESIDENT GEORGE BUSH WAS A GUEST OF THE WORLD
6 AFFAIRS COUNCIL. STEVEN CURTIS, CONGRATULATIONS ON THE 50TH
7 ANNIVERSARY OF THE WORLD AFFAIRS COUNCIL, AND PLEASE ACCEPT
8 THIS SCROLL ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
9 CONGRATULATES YOU ON YOUR 50TH ANNIVERSARY. [APPLAUSE]

10

11 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WHY DON'T YOU SAY A WORD AND THEN WE'LL GET
12 ALL THE MEMBERS UP FOR A PHOTO.

13

14 **STEPHEN BOLLENBACH:** MADAM CHAIR WOMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,
15 THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE HONOR THAT YOU DO US TODAY. 50
16 YEARS OF WATCHING LOS ANGELES GROW AS A NATIVE ANGELINO, IT'S
17 BEEN A PLEASURE FOR ME THESE LAST FIFTEEN YEARS TO BE PART OF
18 IT IN A LITTLE DIFFERENT WAY. AND WE VERY MUCH APPRECIATE THE
19 INVOLVEMENT THAT EACH OF YOU AND THE BOARD HAS MADE WITH THE
20 COUNCIL OVER THE YEARS. ALL OF YOU HAVE BEEN ATTENDEES AND A
21 PART OF WHAT WE DO AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO AT LEAST ANOTHER 50
22 YEARS OF WORKING TOGETHER WITH YOU.

23

24 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ABSOLUTELY.

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1 **STEPHEN BOLLENBACH:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

2

3 **J. CURTIS MAC:** AND I'LL JUST ADD TO THAT IF I CAN, MY THANKS,
4 AND ON BEHALF OF MYSELF AND THE OTHER MEMBERS OF THE WORLD
5 AFFAIRS COUNCIL, I THINK IT'S A IMPORTANT WORK FOR LOS ANGELES
6 AND WE REALLY APPRECIATE YOUR RECOGNITION. THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** AND I KNOW YOU WANT TO ENCOURAGE EVERYONE
9 TO JOIN, YOU ENCOURAGE MEMBERS. COULD WE GET A PICTURE WITH
10 ALL THEM WHO ARE HERE? [PHOTO OP].

11

12 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THAT CONCLUDES OURS. SUPERVISOR
13 YAROSLAVSKY? SUPERVISOR KNABE, DO YOU HAVE PRESENTATIONS?

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** YEAH -- I HAVE JUST THE ONE. DO YOU WANT ME TO GO
16 AHEAD AND DO THAT OR?

17

18 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** YEAH, YOU'RE NEXT.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT. IT'S MY PLEASURE TO RECOGNIZE THE
21 CERRITOS EARLY RISERS TENNIS TEAM FROM CERRITOS REGIONAL PARK.
22 AS SECTIONAL CHAMPIONS THE TEAM RECENTLY REPRESENTED SOUTHERN
23 CALIFORNIA AT A U.S.A. LEAGUE TENNIS COMPETITION IN TUCSON,
24 ARIZONA. IN THE SEMI-FINAL ROUND THEY BEAT THE CARIBBEAN TEAM
25 FROM PUERTO RICO AND WENT ON, BUT THEY LOST IN THE FINAL ROUND



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1 TO A TEAM FROM FLORIDA BUT FINISHED IN SECOND PLACE OVERALL IN
2 THE NATIONAL COMPETITION. ALTHOUGH THE ENTIRE TEAM IS HERE,
3 I'D LIKE TO SPECIFICALLY RECOGNIZE RICK FONJINSIO, WHO IS A
4 RECREATION SUPERVISOR AT CERRITOS REGIONAL, HE'S BEEN A
5 DRIVING FORCE OF THE DISTRICT'S TENNIS PROGRAM AND HAS CREATED
6 DOUBLES TENNIS TOURNAMENTS AT BOTH CERRITOS AND LA MIRADA
7 REGIONAL PARKS. HE HAS AN INCREDIBLE LOVE FOR THE GAME AND
8 SPENDS MANY HOURS GIVING FREE LESSONS TO KIDS AND ADULTS
9 ALIKE. HE'S A TRUE ASSET TO OUR COUNTY PARKS PROGRAM AND I'M
10 HAPPY TO CALL HIM MY FRIEND. SO ON BEHALF OF MYSELF AND MY
11 COLLEAGUES AND ALL THE CITIZENS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, WE'D
12 LIKE TO PRESENT YOU THIS PLAQUE IN RECOGNITION OF YOUR SECOND
13 PLACE FINISH NATIONALLY. NOW I TRIED TO FIGURE OUT WHETHER IT
14 WAS AGE OR -- [APPLAUSE]

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT THEY SAID THEY JUST WORE THEM DOWN AND I WON'T
17 TELL YOU WHAT ELSE THEY SAID. BUT ANYWAY, CONGRATULATIONS ON
18 THAT VICTORY. RICK? [APPLAUSE]

19

20 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, IT'S A
23 GREAT PLEASURE TO RECOGNIZE AN ICON, AN ICON NOT JUST TO THE
24 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, BUT TO THE WORLD, AND THAT'S THE
25 CITIZEN OF THE CENTURY AWARD, THAT WE'RE RECOGNIZING ONE OF



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1 THE GREAT AMERICANS, BOB HOPE. WITH HIM, OH HE HAD SOME
2 WONDERFUL CHILDREN, AND TWO OF THOSE ARE HERE TODAY: WILLIAM
3 KELLY HOPE AND LINDA HOPE, WHO ARE GOING TO REPRESENT THEIR
4 FATHER. BOB IS GOING TO BE CELEBRATING HIS 100TH BIRTHDAY ON
5 MAY 29TH, AS WE PROCLAIM HIM CITIZEN OF THE 20TH CENTURY AND
6 WE'LL MAKE MAY 29TH BOB HOPE DAY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. BORN
7 IN ENGLAND, HE ARRIVED IN THE UNITED STATES AT THE AGE OF
8 FOUR. HE'S BEEN A POWERFUL FORCE FOR GOODNESS AND HUMANITY AS
9 A SHOWMAN AND AS A CITIZEN. MR. ENTERTAINMENT TO MILLIONS OF
10 FANS AND TROOPS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD, BOB HAS BEEN HONORED
11 MORE TIMES AND BY MORE ORGANIZATIONS THAN ANY OTHER
12 INDIVIDUAL. IN 1997, CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION DECLARED G.I.
13 BOB AN HONORARY VETERAN, THE ONLY CIVILIAN EVER TO BE GRANTED
14 THIS GREAT HONOR. HE RECEIVED THESE RECOGNITIONS FOR HIS
15 UNWAVERING DEDICATION TO SUPPORTING THE AMERICAN SOLDIER AND
16 THE AMERICAN WAY OF LIFE. BOB ONCE SAID IF I HAVE TO LAY AN
17 EGG FOR MY COUNTRY, I'LL DO IT. LIFTING MORALE WITH HIS U.S.O.
18 PERFORMANCES, HIS SENSE OF HUMOR AND BRILLIANCE BROUGHT RELIEF
19 AND LAUGHS TO SERVICEMEN AND WOMEN IN EVERY PART OF THE WORLD
20 WHERE AMERICANS WERE INVOLVED. FROM THE -- IN AFRICA IN WORLD
21 WAR II, EUROPE AND THE PACIFIC, TO THE PERSIAN GULF WAR IN THE
22 EARLY 1990S, FAMILIES BACK HOME SLEPT EASIER KNOWING THAT G.I.
23 BOB WAS OUT THERE VISITING THEIR SONS AND DAUGHTERS, MAKING
24 THEM LAUGH AND REMINDING THEM OF HOME. HIS DEDICATION ALSO
25 INCLUDED HIS FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS AND MANY, MANY VITAL



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1 CHARITIES. BOB SAID IF YOU HAVEN'T ANY CHARITY IN YOUR HEART,
2 YOU HAVE THE WORST KIND OF HEART TROUBLE. WHEN NOT DOING HIS
3 GOOD WORKS, HE STARRED IN COUNTLESS FILMS, RADIO SHOWS,
4 BROADWAY PLAYS, COLLEGE PERFORMANCES AND TELEVISION PROGRAMS,
5 AND WHEN RADIO WAS AT ITS HIGHEST, BOB WAS NUMBER ONE, AND
6 WHEN THE MOTION PICTURES WERE AT THEIR HIGHEST, BOB WAS NUMBER
7 ONE, AND WHEN TELEVISION WAS AT ITS HIGH MARK, BOB HOPE RANKED
8 NUMBER ONE. DURING HIS 60 YEARS INVOLVEMENT WITH NBC, WHICH
9 INCLUDED HIS FAMOUS CHRISTMAS SPECIALS AND HOSTS, HE HOSTED 17
10 ACADEMY AWARD SHOWS, A STANDING RECORD. I HAVE PERSONALLY
11 APPRECIATED HIS FRIENDSHIP, HIS SUPPORT, AND HIS MANY PERSONAL
12 APPEARANCES AT MY FUNCTIONS. I REMEMBER ONE TIME WE HAD A
13 MAJOR DINNER AT THE CENTURY PLAZA HOTEL. WE WERE TOLD BOB MAY
14 SHOW UP, BUT WE WEREN'T SURE, BUT WHEN LES BROWN STARTED UP
15 THE THEME SONG, WE HAD ABOUT 800 PEOPLE, THE LIGHTS WERE OUT,
16 AND BOB HOPE WALKED IN, THE AUDIENCE ROSE TO THEIR FEET AS IF
17 THE POPE OR THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES WAS THERE. HE
18 HAD THAT TYPE OF CHARM AND THAT TYPE OF PERSONALITY AND THAT
19 TYPE OF CHARISMA AND RESPECT, AND I APPRECIATED HIS ATTENDANCE
20 AT THE OTHER EVENTS IN HELPING ME IN MY CAREER. HE ONCE SAID
21 WHEN WE HAD BOB HOPE AT THE STATE LEGISLATURE WHEN I WAS AN
22 ASSEMBLYMAN, HE TOLD US THAT POLITICS AND SHOW BUSINESS ARE
23 VERY MUCH ALIKE AND THAT ONE DAY YOU'RE PICKING GRAPES AND THE
24 NEXT DAY YOU'RE DRINKING CHAMPAGNE. SO ON BEHALF OF THE
25 COUNTY, LET ME PRESENT TO KELLY AND LINDA THIS PROCLAMATION



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1 RECOGNIZING HAPPY BIRTHDAY, HAPPY 100TH BIRTHDAY, CITIZEN OF
2 THIS 20TH CENTURY TO YOUR WONDERFUL FATHER AND OUR GOOD
3 FRIEND. [APPLAUSE]

4

5 **LINDA HOPE:** THANK YOU TO SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, AND TO THE
6 REST OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. AND I KNOW THAT DAD IS VERY
7 THRILLED TO BE HONORED THIS WAY AND HE HAD A CERTAIN FONDNESS
8 IN HIS HEART FOR MIKE ANTONOVICH AND FOR THE WONDERFUL WORK
9 THAT HE'S DONE THROUGH THESE MANY YEARS, AND I KNOW THAT DAD
10 IS CERTAINLY WITH US HERE IN SPIRIT. UNFORTUNATELY, DOCTORS'
11 ORDERS WON'T LET HIM BE HERE WITH US, BUT HE IS SO ENJOYING
12 THESE HUNDRED YEARS AND LOOKING BACK AND THINKING OF ALL THE
13 WONDERFUL MEMORIES THAT HE'S -- HE HAS HAD OVER THESE YEARS,
14 AND THANK YOU AGAIN, EVERYBODY, AND THANK YOU FROM HIM AND
15 FROM MY MOTHER. [APPLAUSE]

16

17 **WILLIAM KELLY HOPE:** ONLY TO ECHO MY SISTER'S SENTIMENTS, I'M
18 DEEPLY HONORED TO BE HERE REPRESENTING MY FATHER. I SPOKE TO
19 HIM THIS MORNING AND I SAID TO HIM IN HIS EAR, "TWO MORE
20 DAYS," AND HE GAVE ME A LITTLE NOD AND A LITTLE SMILE. AND HE
21 KNOWS IT'S COMING, AND WE'RE ALL VERY HAPPY TO BE A PART OF
22 THIS AND WE'RE MOST HONORED AND I'M INDEED HONORED TO BE HERE.
23 THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME ALSO RECOGNIZE ANOTHER INDIVIDUAL WHO
2 REALLY PROVIDED A FOUNDATION FOR BOB TO BUILD UPON HIS GREAT
3 CAREER, AND THAT'S HIS WIFE, DOLORES, AND SHE DID A SUPERB
4 JOB, AND A GREAT SINGER AND JUST A COUPLE YEARS AGO THEY BOTH
5 MADE A C.D. FOR THE HOLIDAYS, WHICH IS STILL AVAILABLE,
6 SINGING THEIR HOLIDAY SONGS. RIGHT. OH HER BIRTHDAY, OKAY,
7 DOLORES' BIRTHDAY IS TODAY AND SHE IS? 94. SO EAT THAT
8 BROCCOLI! AND NOW WE WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME LINDA JENNER,
9 REPRESENTING THE DISTINGUISHED HOLLYWOOD PRODUCER AND
10 DIRECTOR, GARY MARSHALL. AND WASHINGTON MUTUAL VICE PRESIDENT
11 FOR CORPORATIONS ANTONIO MANNING. TO COMMEND THEM FOR
12 INVOLVEMENT WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY'S MUSIC CENTER BRAVO'S
13 AWARD AND DISTINGUISHED ARTISTS AWARDS PROGRAM. GARY MARSHALL,
14 WHO IS ALWAYS PRODUCING AND A GREAT DIRECTOR OF MANY MOTION
15 PICTURES INCLUDING "PRETTY WOMAN," AND OTHERS, HAS BEEN OUR
16 MASTER OF CEREMONIES FOR THE PAST 20 YEARS. THE BRAVO AWARD
17 DINNER EACH YEAR, GARY MARSHALL IS THERE AS THE MASTER OF
18 CEREMONIES, EVEN WHEN HE'S FILMING. HE'S BEEN INSTRUMENTAL IN
19 PROVIDING HIS TIME AND ENERGY IN HELPING THE CEREMONY GROW AND
20 SUCCEED EVERY YEAR BECAUSE OF HIS DEDICATION TO OUR YOUNG
21 STUDENTS IN OUR HIGH SCHOOLS AND JUNIOR HIGHS AND ELEMENTARY
22 SCHOOLS. NOW, ANTONIO MANNING HAS BEEN INFLUENTIAL IN
23 OBTAINING EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT FOR THE AWARDS FROM THE
24 WASHINGTON MUTUAL AS THIS YEAR THE COMPANY GAVE \$25,000 TO THE
25 DISTINGUISHED ARTISTS AWARDS WHO'S EVENT PROCEEDS THIS BRAVO'S



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1 AWARD, BUT THEY PLEDGED, IN 2001, \$1 MILLION TO AN ENDOWMENT
2 FUND FOR THE MUSIC CENTER'S EDUCATION DIVISION. THAT'S \$1
3 MILLION FROM WASHINGTON MUTUAL. AND BESIDES BEING A FINE BANK,
4 THEY'VE ALSO BEEN A FINE COMMUNITY PARTNER TO ENSURE THAT ALL
5 OF OUR PEOPLE HERE HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE THEIR CHILDREN
6 GROW UP CULTURALLY ENRICHED. SO AT THIS TIME, ON BEHALF OF THE
7 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, WE WANT TO GIVE THIS TO LINDA, WHO'S
8 ACCEPTING THIS FOR GARY MARSHALL, AND TO MR. MANNING.
9 CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE] [PHOTO OP]

10

11 **LINDA JENNER:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, AND THANK YOU
12 FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THE BRAVO AWARD AND THE OTHER COUNTY
13 SUPERVISORS. GARY VERY MUCH REGRETS HE COULD NOT BE HERE
14 TODAY. HE'S FINISHING A MOVIE CALLED "RAISING HELEN" WITH KATE
15 HUDSON, BUT HE WAS VERY MOVED THAT HE WAS GIVEN THIS
16 PROCLAMATION AND HE SPECIFICALLY REQUESTED A PHOTO OF THIS
17 EVENT THAT HE COULD PUT ON HIS DESK. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

18

19 **ANTONIO MANNING:** GOOD AFTERNOON. ON BEHALF OF WASHINGTON
20 MUTUAL, WE ACCEPT THIS COMMENDATION. THANK YOU TO THE
21 SUPERVISORS AND THE OTHER BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. WASHINGTON
22 MUTUAL WILL CONTINUE TO DO ITS WORK IN THE COMMUNITY TO MAKE
23 IT A BETTER PLACE FOR OUR FAMILIES AND COMMUNITY RESIDENTS TO
24 LIVE AND WORK. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE].

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ANTONIO IS A CONSTITUENT OF THE FIFTH
2 DISTRICT AS WELL. NOW WE'RE GOING TO RECOGNIZE ANOTHER
3 OUTSTANDING CITIZEN FROM THE FIFTH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT, AND
4 THAT'S ARLENE ALPERT, WHO IS HONORED THE PIONEER WOMAN OF THE
5 YEAR AWARD. SHE WAS NOMINATED BY CITY COUNCILMAN HAL BERNSEN
6 FOR HER STRONG WORK ETHIC, HER KINDNESS, HER GENEROSITY AND
7 DETERMINED SPIRIT. SHE'S DEDICATED HERSELF TO THOSE IN NEED
8 HAVING BEEN AN AN EXPERIENCED SOCIAL WORKER AND THOSE WHO ARE
9 TOO YOUNG TO PROTECT THEMSELVES AS SHE HAS ALSO BEEN AN
10 EXPERIENCED TEACHER. SHE'S HELPED THE ILL AND THE INFIRM
11 PATIENTS AS A CANDY STRIPER AND IS NOW COORDINATING THE ENCINO
12 TARZANA COMMUNITY LIAISON COUNCIL. ARLENE IS HERE TODAY WITH
13 HER HUSBAND, LEE ALPERT WHO SERVES AS ONE OF MY COMMISSIONERS
14 ON THE JUDICIAL PROCEDURES COMMISSION, AND HER MOTHER AS WELL.
15 SO AT THIS TIME, ARLENE, ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY WE'D LIKE TO
16 GIVE YOU THIS RECOGNITION AND WISH YOU CONTINUED SUCCESS IN
17 YOUR COMMUNITY SERVICE. [APPLAUSE]

18

19 **ARLENE ALPERT:** I'D LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND
20 ESPECIALLY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH FOR THIS GREAT HONOR. ALSO,
21 FOR MY MOM AND FOR MY HUSBAND BEING HERE, THANK YOU BOTH. I
22 HAVE ALWAYS WORKED AND LIVED IN LOS ANGELES AND I AM PROUD TO
23 BE AN ANGELINO, SO THANK YOU AGAIN FOR THIS GREAT HONOR. [
24 APPLAUSE]

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW THOSE OF YOU WHO ARE ROUTE 66
2 ENTHUSIASTS, PLEASE JOIN ME IN WELCOMING GLENDALE, EXCUSE ME,
3 GLENDORA MAYOR, MICHAEL CONWAY, DUARTE SALUTE TO ROUTE 66
4 PARADE COMMITTEE, MEMBERS JIM KIRCHNER, CRAIG JURIN, MARY
5 BARROW, AND TIM LOWERY IS NOT HERE, MICHAEL AND MEREDITH
6 MILLER OF THE FAIR OAKS PHARMACY IN SOUTH PASADENA, DENNIS
7 CROWLEY FROM ARKANSAS, WHO HAS JUST COMPLETED HIS WALK FROM
8 CROWE, CALIFORNIA, ALL THE WAY ACROSS ROUTE 66. WHEN ROUTE 66
9 WAS BUILT IN 1926 AS THE FIRST EAST/WEST ROAD CONNECTING SEVEN
10 STATES OVER MORE THAN 2,000 MILES OF ROADWAY FROM CHICAGO,
11 ILLINOIS TO SANTA MONICA, CALIFORNIA, IT GAVE BIRTH TO CHAINS
12 OF GASOLINE STATIONS, DINERS WITH NEON LIGHTS AND JUKE BOXES,
13 MOTOR INNS AND TOURIST ATTRACTIONS TO AID TRAVELERS MAKING
14 THEIR CROSS COUNTRY JOURNEYS. ROUTE 66 BECAME AN IMPORTANT
15 ARTERY OF MOVEMENT FOR FAMILIES AND INDIVIDUALS FROM AMERICA'S
16 HEARTLAND LOOKING FOR OPPORTUNITIES DURING THE GREAT
17 DEPRESSION, THE DUST BOWL ERA AND CARRIED SOLDIERS BACK HOME
18 WHEN THEY RETURNED FROM MILITARY SERVICE FOR OUR COUNTRY. JOHN
19 STEINBECK CHARACTERIZED ROUTE 66 AS "THE MOTHER ROAD." WILL
20 ROGERS CALLED IT "THE MAIN STREET OF AMERICA." BOBBY TROOPS'
21 SONG ENCOURAGED PEOPLE TO "GET THEIR KICKS ON ROUTE 66," AND
22 IT WAS THE SOURCE OF STORIES ABOUT ADVENTURE AND CHANGING
23 LIFESTYLES IN THE 60S TELEVISION SERIES "ROUTE 66" WHICH
24 FEATURED SUCH LEGENDARY PERFORMERS AS COOKIE, COOKIE "LEND ME
25 YOUR COMB" EDWARD BURNS AND CONNIE STEVENS. TODAY ALONG WITH



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1 ROUTE 66 HAVING BEEN REPLACED BY OTHER INTERSTATE HIGHWAYS AND
2 FREEWAYS, ITS MEMORY LIVES ON WITH THE HELP OF THOSE HERE
3 TODAY AND MANY OTHERS WHO INVITED A NOSTALGIC LOOK BACK IN
4 TIME WHEN PROMOTING TOURISM FROM ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD.
5 HISTORIC ROUTE 66 CROSSES THE FIFTH DISTRICT IN LOS ANGELES
6 COUNTY THROUGH THE CITIES OF CLAREMONT, LAVERNE, SAN DIMAS,
7 GLENDORA, DUARTE, MONROVIA, ARCADIA, PASADENA AND SOUTH
8 PASADENA TO ITS END IN SANTA MONICA. SO AT THIS TIME, WE WOULD
9 LIKE TO GIVE THIS PROCLAMATION TO THE -- FIRST TO THE CITY OF
10 GLENDORA. AND YOU'RE RIGHT BEHIND ME. I'M LOOKING ALL AROUND,
11 I KNOW YOU ARE. [PHOTO OP]

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** JIM KIRCHNER, ALSO A FORMER MAYOR FROM THE
14 GREAT CITY OF DUARTE, HOW ARE YOU? CRAIG JURIN, PAST COMMITTEE
15 CHAIRMAN. TIM LOWERY IS NOT HERE. RIGHT? OKAY LET ME GIVE YOU
16 TIM'S. MARY BARROW, PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE MEMBER. HOW ARE
17 YOU? AND MICHAEL AND MEREDITH MILLER WHO ARE THE CO-OWNERS OF
18 THE FAIR OAKS PHARMACY AND SODA FOUNTAIN IN SOUTH PASADENA
19 HAVE GIVEN VISITORS AN OPPORTUNITY TO STEP BACK IN TIME TO
20 ENJOY ICE CREAM TREATS AND TURN OF THE CENTURY DECOR WHILE
21 WAITING FOR PRESCRIPTIONS TO BE FILLED IN A STATE-OF-THE-ART
22 PHARMACY, PART OF THE OLD SOUTH PASADENA LEGACY. HOW ARE YOU?
23 AND DENNIS CROWLEY, WHO HAS COMPLETED HIS WALK ACROSS SIX OF
24 OUR EIGHT STATES IN A SEVEN-YEAR JOURNEY TO WALK THE ENTIRE
25 LENGTH OF HISTORIC ROUTE 66 AS PART OF HIS SPIRITUAL JOURNEY



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1 AND CHALLENGING OTHER AMERICANS TO CONSIDER A SIMILAR RENEWAL
2 OF PAST VALUES. WELL I'LL PASS FOR THE TREADMILL I DO.

3

4 **MICHAEL CONWAY, GLENDORA MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR
5 ANTONOVICH, AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I CAME OUT ROUTE 66
6 TO CALIFORNIA BACK IN THE 1940S, AND LIKE YOU SAID, THE MAIN
7 STREET OF THE COUNTRY, AND GET YOUR KICKS ON ROUTE 66, AND
8 THAT'S JUST WHAT WE HOPE TO DO IN GLENDORA, SO WE THANK YOU
9 VERY MUCH FOR THIS.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU, OKAY, LET'S TAKE A GROUP PICTURE.
12 [APPLAUSE]

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14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ANYBODY WHO CAN WALK SIX STATES DESERVES
15 SOMETHING, DESERVES AN AWARD.

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17 **DENNIS CROWLEY:** I REALLY HAVE JUST A FEW -- I MEAN, I LOOK
18 LIKE -- LIKE THAT, BUT I WANTED TO SHARE THESE WITH YOU. I
19 WOULD LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH FOR THE OPPORTUNITY
20 TO BE HERE TODAY. THIS IS NOT ONLY A GREAT HONOR, BUT ALSO A
21 GREAT ENCOURAGEMENT TO ME TO FINISH WHAT I HAVE STARTED. I
22 WOULD ALSO LIKE TO THANK LITA ERICSSON AND MICHAEL GAMBOA FOR
23 WORKING WITH ME AND MAKING IT POSSIBLE FOR ME TO BE HERE
24 TODAY. A WISE MAN ONCE SAID THAT THERE ARE TIMES WHEN YOU HAVE
25 TO STAND ALONE BUT DON'T HAVE TO GO IT ALONE. FOR THE LAST



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1 FIVE YEARS, I HAVE LITERALLY STOOD ALONE, BUT I HAVEN'T HAD TO
2 GO IT ALONE. MANY PEOPLE HAVE HELPED, ENCOURAGED, AND
3 SUPPORTED THIS JOURNEY, AND TO THOSE PEOPLE, I WISH TO EXPRESS
4 MY THANKS. I WANT TO THANK MY MOM AND DAD, MY SISTER, DEBBIE,
5 JIM FORD, BILL AND NANCY MADDOX, PAM JONES, BECKY RANSOM AND A
6 COUNTLESS OTHERS I'VE MET ALONG THE WAY. LAST BUT NOT LEAST,
7 I'D LIKE TO EXTEND MY VERY SPECIAL THANKS TO CALVIN THOMAS WHO
8 FLEW OUT HERE TO WALK THE LAST FEW MILES WITH ME AND TO BE
9 WITH ME AT THIS PRESENTATION, ALTHOUGH HE DID REFUSE TO STAND
10 WITH ME ON THE PLATFORM TODAY. TODAY I'VE BEEN GIVEN THE
11 DIFFICULT TASK OF DESCRIBING A JOURNEY THAT WILL HAVE, FROM
12 CONCEPT -- I'M SHAKING LIKE A LEAF -- THAT WILL HAVE FROM
13 CONCEPT TO COMPLETION, ENCOMPASSED 10 YEARS OF MY LIFE AND
14 TAKEN ME BY FOOT NOT ONLY FROM CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, TO SANTA
15 MONICA, CALIFORNIA, BUT FROM SANTA MONICA BACK TO CHICAGO. TO
16 BE QUITE HONEST I DON'T BELIEVE THAT THERE ARE WORDS ADEQUATE
17 ENOUGH, BUT IN ORDER TO GIVE YOU SOME SENSE OF WHAT I'VE BEEN
18 THROUGH, I GIVE YOU THE WORDS OF THE GREAT PHILOSOPHER,
19 FORREST GUMP, WHO SAID, AND I QUOTE TO THE BEST OF MY ABILITY,
20 "MY MAMA ALWAYS TOLD ME LIFE WAS LIKE A BOX OF CHOCOLATES: YOU
21 NEVER KNOW WHAT YOU'RE GOING TO GET." I WISH I HAD A NICKEL
22 FOR EVERY TIME HIS NAME HAS COME UP IN A CONVERSATION. BELIEVE
23 IT OR NOT, I DIDN'T WAKE UP ONE MORNING AND DECIDE TO GO FOR A
24 WALK, I DON'T HAVE AN ENTOURAGE, AND I DON'T OWN A FISHING
25 BOAT, BUT IN A STRANGE TWIST OF FATE, JUST TO PROVE THAT GOD



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1 REALLY DOES HAVE A SENSE OF HUMOR, FOREST AND I DO HAVE ONE
2 THING IN COMMON. AS I ENTERED MY TENT LAST FALL IN ARIZONA I
3 DISCOVERED A LITTLE WHITE FEATHER THAT HAD BLOWN IN SOMETIME
4 DURING THE DAY. NEEDLESS TO SAY, IT'S ONE OF MY MOST TREASURED
5 POSSESSIONS. AS FOR THE BOX OF CHOCOLATES, I CAN HONESTLY TELL
6 YOU THAT MINE CONTAINS SOME OF EVERY SHAPE AND FLAVOR. IN THE
7 TIME IT'S TAKEN ME TO CRISSCROSS THE STATES OF KANSAS,
8 OKLAHOMA, TEXAS, NEW MEXICO, AND CALIFORNIA AND ARIZONA, I'VE
9 BEEN SNAPPED AT BY DOGS, HISSED AT BY RATTLE SNAKES, STUNG BY
10 A BEE, I'VE BEEN CHASED BY A TORNADO, RAINED ON, HAILED ON,
11 BLINDED BY BLIZZARDS, SLEPT IN SUBZERO TEMPERATURES AND WALKED
12 IN EXTREME HEAT. I'VE MET MANY WONDERFUL PEOPLE, ENCOUNTERED
13 EVEN A FEW GROUCHES, NOT THE LEAST OF WHOM IS A LOCAL
14 CONSTABLE OF A LITTLE MIDWESTERN TOWN, WHO AFTER INTERROGATING
15 ME FOR MY PURPOSE FOR BEING IN HIS FAIR CITY ESCORTED ME OUT
16 OF TOWN AND TOLD ME NEVER TO COME BACK. AND QUOTING THE WORDS
17 ONCE AGAIN OF FORREST GUMP, "AND THAT'S ALL I HAD TO SAY ABOUT
18 THAT." ROUTE 66 MEANS DIFFERENT THINGS TO DIFFERENT PEOPLE.
19 WHAT IT MEANS TO ME COULDN'T BE BETTER EXPRESSED THAN BY
20 WHAT'S REPRESENTED HERE TODAY. WHEN THE U.S. GOVERNMENT
21 DECERTIFIED ROUTE 66 IN 1984, AMERICA ROSE UP TO PRESERVE IT,
22 BECAUSE IT BELIEVED, AS DO THOSE HERE TODAY, THAT THERE ARE
23 THINGS WE MUST NOT FORGET. OVER 2000 YEARS AGO, THE PROPHET
24 JEREMIAH SPOKE THE FOLLOWING WORDS THAT I BELIEVE ARE AS
25 PROFOUND TODAY AS THEY WERE BACK THEN: "STAND AT THE CROSS



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1 ROADS, STOP, LOOK AND ASK FOR THE OLD PASS WHERE THE GOOD WAY
2 IS, WALK IN IT AND YOU WILL FIND REST FOR YOUR SOUL." WITH
3 EACH STEP I'VE TAKEN AND WITH THOSE THAT REMAIN, I HOPE TO
4 EXPRESS MY HEARTFELT CONVICTION THAT, AS THIS COUNTRY FACES
5 ITS FUTURE, IT MUST NOT FORGET FROM WHENCE IT HAS COME, AND
6 THE GOD WHO HAS GIVEN IT BIRTH AND HAS BLESSED ITS SOUL. I'VE
7 BEEN TOLD THAT THE ONE STATEMENT BY -- MORE THAN ANY OTHER BY
8 THE THOUSANDS OF TOURISTS WHO VISIT ROUTE 66 EVERY YEAR IS
9 THIS, "WE HAVE COME TO SEE THE AMERICA THAT USED TO BE." I
10 HOPE AND PRAY THAT THE REALITY OF THOSE WORDS WILL NEVER BE. I
11 STAND BEFORE YOU TODAY PROUD TO BE PART OF BOTH THE GREATEST
12 HIGHWAY AND THE GREATEST NATION IN THE WORLD. THANK YOU FOR
13 THIS OPPORTUNITY AND MAY GOD TRULY BLESS AMERICA. [APPLAUSE]

14

15 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** AS THEY'RE TAKING THE PHOTO, WE CAN ASK THE
16 -- WE'RE CALLING AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 39. I DON'T BELIEVE THERE
17 ARE ANY OTHER PRESENTATIONS, AND WE'D LIKE TO ASK THE CONSUL-
18 GENERAL OF JAPAN, THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA TO COME
19 FORWARD. OH, HE STILL HAS THIS ANIMAL.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LITTLE TULIP WHO'S LOOKING FOR A HOME. SHE'S
22 TWO MONTHS OLD, SHE'S A LITTLE LAB MIX. SO THIS IS TULIP WHO'S
23 LOOKING FOR A HOME. PERHAPS THE CONSUL-GENERAL FROM JAPAN OR
24 THE CONSUL-GENERAL FROM CHINA WOULD LIKE TO BE THE PROUD
25 FATHER OR THE VICE CONSUL FROM JAPAN, MISS KIFU, I KNOW SHE



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1 MAYBE WOULD LIKE TO ADOPT THE LITTLE TULIP. TULIP LIKES LITTLE
2 CHILDREN.

3

4 **VOICE:** HOW OLD IS SHE? HOW OLD IS SHE?

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** TWO MONTHS OLD. EIGHT WEEKS.

7

8 **VOICE:** BUT HOMELESS CHILDREN NEED A HOME AND A DADDY, RIGHT
9 HERE, NOW.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** GOOD, OKAY. SO HERE IS LITTLE TULIP, AND YOU
12 CAN CALL AREA CODE 562-728-4644 AT HOME, OR IF YOU'RE HERE,
13 WHO WOULD LIKE TO ADOPT HIM -- ADOPT HER, OKAY.

14

15 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE HAVE THE CONSUL-
16 GENERAL OF JAPAN, THE HONORABLE MASAHARU KOHNO, AND CONSUL-
17 GENERAL, MR. ZONG, MR ZHONG, FROM THE CHINESE CONSUL-GENERAL.
18 AND HOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO PROCEED, OR WOULD YOU LIKE TO START
19 FIRST MR. SEDLIK?

20

21 **BARRY SEDLIK:** YES THANK YOU VERY MUCH MADAM PRESIDENT.

22

23 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, FROM THE WORLD TRADE CENTER
24 ASSOCIATION AND THE LOS ANGELES ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
25 CORPORATION, BARRY SEDLIK, THEN, WE'LL START.



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2 **BARRY SEDLIK:** THANK YOU, MADAM PRESIDENT, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

3 OF SUPERVISORS. WE VERY MUCH APPRECIATE THE LEADERSHIP ROLE

4 THAT YOU ARE SHOWING IN TERMS OF AN ISSUE THAT IS PROSPECTIVE,

5 MANY OF THE ISSUES YOU DEAL WITH ARE FROM CRISES THAT HAVE

6 ALREADY HAPPENED, SO WE REALLY COMMEND YOU FOR TALKING THE

7 INITIATIVE TO THINK ABOUT THE IMPACTS OF AN ISSUE THAT HAS NOT

8 YET AFFECTED OUR COUNTY BUT COULD VERY WELL HAVE DEVASTATING

9 IMPACTS. AND SPECIFICALLY, WE'RE TALKING ABOUT THE THREAT OF

10 S.A.R.S., NOT SO MUCH FROM THE STANDPOINT OF THE -- FROM THE

11 PUBLIC HEALTH STANDPOINT OF ITS REAL IMPACTS, BUT THE FEAR OF

12 S.A.R.S. AND HOW THAT AFFECTS THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY. ONE OF

13 THE THINGS THAT WE THINK IS VERY IMPORTANT TO RECOGNIZE IS

14 THAT WHILE THERE'S MUCH ATTENTION BEEN PAID TO A FEAR OF

15 ATTENDANCE IN RESTAURANTS, PRIMARILY ETHNIC RESTAURANTS IN THE

16 CHINESE COMMUNITY, IF YOU GO TO MONTEREY PARK AND ROSEMEAD IN

17 THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, THERE'S BEEN A MARKED DECLINE IN

18 ATTENDANCE IN THOSE RESTAURANTS, BUT S.A.R.S. AND THE FEAR OF

19 S.A.R.S. AFFECTS THE ENTIRE BUSINESS COMMUNITY. WE HAVE MANY

20 IN OUR BUSINESS -- BUSINESSES HERE ARE DEPENDENT ON ENGAGING

21 IN TRADE SHOWS, TO GO TO ASIA, ELSEWHERE AROUND THE WORLD, TO

22 BE ABLE TO BUY AND SELL GOODS SO THAT THEY CAN BRING BACK TO

23 LOS ANGELES AND SELL TO THE REST OF THE WORLD, AND WHEN THOSE

24 BUSINESSES ARE AFRAID OF ATTENDING THE TRADE SHOWS AND WRITING

25 UP BUSINESS, THAT HAS A DIRECT IMPACT BACK TO US. SO WE VERY



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1 MUCH APPRECIATE THE LEADERSHIP THAT YOU HAVE EXHIBITED HERE.
2 THE CONSUL-GENERALS WOULD ALSO LIKE TO BRIEFLY COMMENT FROM
3 THEIR PERSPECTIVE ON HOW THEY SEE THE IMPACT OF THE DISEASE,
4 NOT SO MUCH FROM THE STANDPOINT OF WHAT'S HAPPENED, BUT WHAT
5 MAY HAPPEN IN THE FUTURE. AND FIRST, I'D LIKE TO HAVE CONSUL-
6 GENERAL KOHNO FROM JAPAN CAN SAY A FEW WORDS.

7

8 **CONSUL-GENERAL KOHNO:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR GIVING YOUR
9 FLOOR, THANK YOU VERY MUCH FIRST OF ALL, INVITING ME AS THE
10 CONSUL-GENERAL OF JAPAN TO BE HERE AT THE SUPERVISORS' GROUP
11 DISCUSSIONS. AND I COMMEND VERY HIGHLY OF THE INITIATIVE TAKEN
12 BY DON KNABE FOR SETTING UP A TASK FORCE AND DISCUSS ABOUT
13 THIS S.A.R.S. ISSUES AND INVITING US FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING.
14 WELL, AS THE CONSUL-GENERAL, I'D LIKE TO SUMMARIZE AND MAKE MY
15 PRESENTATION AS SHORT AS POSSIBLE. I'D LIKE TO SAY THREE OF MY
16 MAJOR CONCERNS AND MY OWN INTERESTS. TO START WITH, THE FIRST,
17 VERY BLUNTLY, WE HAVE A -- WE HAVE 30,000 -- NO, 50,000-PLUS
18 JAPANESE NATIONALS LIVING IN L.A. COUNTY AND SURROUNDING AREA.
19 AND ALSO TOGETHER WITH TENS OF THOUSANDS OF SHORT-TIME
20 VISITORS, TOURISTS, MOVING AROUND THIS TOWN. SO MY MAJOR
21 PREOCCUPATION IS ACTUALLY THE VERY HEALTH OF THOSE JAPANESE
22 NATIONALS. HAVING SAID THAT, WHAT I HAVE BEEN DOING IS THAT
23 BASED UPON THE INSTRUCTION BY THE GOVERNMENT IN JAPAN, I'VE
24 BEEN TRYING MY BEST TO DISSEMINATE ALL NECESSARY INFORMATION
25 THROUGH MEDIA AS WELL AS THE INTERNET AND E-MAILS AND SO ON TO



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1 THE JAPANESE NATIONALS HOW TO PREVENT S.A.R.S., HOW TO -- FOR
2 THEM TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE S.A.R.S. THAT IS ACTUALLY THE
3 CASE. AND FROM THIS POINT ON, THIS POSSIBILITY IS VERY REMOTE
4 BUT THERE IS -- ALTHOUGH THIS IS VERY REMOTE, THERE'S A
5 POSSIBILITY THAT SOME JAPANESE NATIONALS LIVING IN HERE MAY
6 SUFFER FROM THE S.A.R.S. UNDER SUCH CIRCUMSTANCES, I AS THE
7 CONSUL-GENERAL HAS TO TAKE NOT -- I DON'T HAVE ANY HEALTH
8 AUTHORITY AT ALL, BUT I HAVE TO TAKE CARE OF THOSE JAPANESE
9 NATIONALS. ONE THING I'D LIKE TO ASK, I'D LIKE TO REQUEST
10 STRONGLY TO YOU, COUNTY SUPERVISORS ALSO YOUR HEALTH AUTHORITY
11 PEOPLE THAT ALTHOUGH I UNDERSTAND THAT THERE'S PRIVACY
12 INVOLVED IN THAT, BUT ALWAYS MY -- AS THE CONSUL-GENERAL, I'M
13 VERY MUCH CONSCIOUS -- ANXIOUS TO KNOW ABOUT THE JAPANESE
14 NATIONAL SITUATION RELATING TO THE S.A.R.S. IF THERE -- THOSE,
15 WELL I DON'T WANT TO THINK ABOUT IT, BUT THE REMOTE
16 POSSIBILITY THAT THERE IS SOME JAPANESE NATIONAL WHO SUFFERED
17 FROM S.A.R.S. AND HOSPITALIZED BASED UPON HIS OR HER REQUEST
18 I'D LIKE TO ASK HEALTH AUTHORITY OF L.A. COUNTY SUPERVISORS
19 AND THE L.A. COUNTY OFFICIALS TO INFORM ME QUIETLY. THAT IS
20 VERY IMPORTANT FOR ME TO HANDLE THE AFTERMATH OF THOSE -- THE
21 FINDINGS OF THE S.A.R.S. IN THIS COMMUNITY. THAT IS ONE THING
22 I'D LIKE TO ASK YOU. AND SECONDLY, RELATING TO WHAT YOU SAID,
23 THIS IS -- MY SECOND CONCERN IS THE JAPANESE-RELATED BUSINESS
24 HERE. BECAUSE SINCE SEPTEMBER 11TH A YEAR AGO -- A YEAR AND A
25 HALF AGO AND ALSO TERRORISMS THREAT AND FIGHT AGAINST IRAQ AND



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1 BLAH, BLAH, BLAH, THERE ARE MANY -- TWO REASONS RELATED THE
2 INDUSTRIES IN DIFFICULT TIMES FOR THE LAST COUPLE -- ONE-AND-
3 A-HALF YEARS, SAYING THAT HOTEL, AIRLINE INDUSTRIES, TOURISM
4 INDUSTRIES, AND ALSO THE RESTAURANT INDUSTRIES, TOO. WELL, FOR
5 THOSE PEOPLE, I WOULD LIKE TO ASK YOU, SUPERVISORS, TO LISTEN
6 VERY CAREFULLY ABOUT WHAT THEY ARE FACING, WHAT KIND OF
7 DIFFICULTIES WHAT THEY ARE FACING. I'D LIKE TO ASK YOU TO DO
8 SO. BUT FORTUNATELY, THERE IS NO SUCH SUFFERERS HERE IN LOS
9 ANGELES COUNTIES, THAT IS ACTUALLY THE GOOD OPPORTUNITY, TOO.
10 UNDER SUCH -- I MEAN, SINCE AFTER THE SEPTEMBER 11TH THAT THE
11 -- THE TREMENDOUS DECREASE OF TOURISM INDUSTRIES BETWEEN JAPAN
12 AND L.A. COUNTY, BUT IF WE CAN MAKE CORRECT INFORMATION OF
13 S.A.R.S. DON'T BE DISTURBED BY THE FALSE RUMORS AND CORRECT
14 INFORMATIONS IN A VERY TRANSPARENT MANNER, THAT WILL MAKE A
15 POSITIVE IMPACT UPON THE COMING BACK OF THE JAPANESE TOURISTS
16 COMING BACK TO THE L.A. COUNTY. THAT IS VERY IMPORTANT. WE'D
17 LIKE TO TAKE THIS AS A CHANCE TO RE-PROMOTE TOURISM BETWEEN
18 JAPAN AND L.A. COUNTY. SO I WOULD LIKE TO URGE AGAIN THAT THE
19 COMMUNICATION BETWEEN YOUR AUTHORITY AND MY OFFICE AND ALSO MY
20 JAPANESE AFFILIATED BUSINESS COMMUNITIES IN A VERY TRANSPARENT
21 MANNER. THAT IS VERY IMPORTANT. JAPANESE PEOPLE ARE VERY
22 SUSCEPTIBLE TO THOSE INFORMATIONS AND THEY ARE VERY KEEN ON
23 THAT. ONCE THEY GOT THE CORRECT INFORMATION, THAT IS A VERY
24 GOOD CHANCE FOR THEM TO COME BACK. THAT IS THE SECOND THING
25 I'D LIKE TO EMPHASIZE. THIRDLY, I'D LIKE TO SAY THAT ABOUT



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1 AMERICAN NATIONALS COMING TO JAPAN, FORTUNATELY, WE HAVE NO
2 CASE OF S.A.R.S. HAS BEEN REPORTED YET IN JAPAN, AND WE HAVE A
3 VERY STRICT QUARANTINE SYSTEM AT THE AIRPORT AND ALSO THE
4 PORT, AND WE HAVE BEEN ADVISING ALL THE VISITORS COMING FROM
5 THE UNITED STATES FOR THE HEALTH GUARD AND QUARANTINE THINGS
6 AND MEDICAL CHECK AND TAKING TEMPERATURE AT THE AIRPORT ON THE
7 SPOT. SO THOSE ARE THE THINGS. SO FAR, SO GOOD. SO, BUT WE --
8 THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN IS ALWAYS READY TO INFORM APPROPRIATE
9 INFORMATIONS, CORRECT INFORMATIONS, NECESSARY INFORMATION TO
10 L.A. COUNTY SUPERVISORS AT ANY TIME. SO PLEASE COUNT ON ME,
11 PLEASE COUNT ON MY OFFICE, AND MAYBE LAST BUT NOT THE LEAST,
12 BUT THE MOST IMPORTANT THING IS THAT RIGHT COMMUNICATION
13 BETWEEN YOUR OFFICE, YOUR HEALTH AUTHORITY WITH ME, MY OFFICE
14 AND JAPANESE COMMUNITY, YOU CAN ALWAYS MAKE USE OF MY OFFICE
15 AS A KIND OF A FACILITATOR TO COMMUNICATE WITH THOSE THINGS.
16 ANYWAY, THE CORRECT INFORMATION, AVOID THE RUMORS AND FALSE
17 INFORMATION. THAT IS MOST IMPORTANT, I THINK. THANK YOU VERY
18 MUCH.

19

20 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

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22 **BARRY SEDLIK:** THANK YOU, CONSUL-GENERAL. NOW I'D LIKE TO
23 INTRODUCE CONSUL-GENERAL ZHONG FROM CHINA.

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1 **CONSUL-GENERAL ZHONG:** THANK YOU, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. OKAY.
2 THANK YOU SUPERVISOR BURKE. FIRST I WOULD LIKE TO GIVE VERY
3 BRIEF INTRODUCTION ABOUT WHAT HAS HAPPENING NOW IN CHINA. AND
4 THIS DISEASE S.A.R.S. WAS NOT BEEN KNOWN BEFORE. IT IS
5 SOMETHING QUITE RARE AND QUITE A THREAT TO THE HEALTH OF THE
6 WHOLE HUMAN BEING. IT HAS STRUCK SOME COUNTRIES AND THE
7 REGIONS, OF WHICH CHINA HAS BEEN THE HARDEST HIT. S.A.R.S. IS
8 A NEW TYPE OF INFECTION -- INFECTIOUS DISEASE NOT YET FULLY
9 UNDERSTOOD BY MANKIND. AT THE ONSET OF THE EPIDEMIC, WE DID
10 NOT HAVE AN ADEQUATE UNDERSTANDING OF HOW GREAT THE EPIDEMIC
11 WOULD BE. AND THE SOONER AFTER WE REALIZED THE SERIOUS
12 SITUATION WE HAVE BEEN FACING WITH, THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT
13 WOULD SOON COME TO REALIZE THE CHALLENGE OF THE EPIDEMIC AND
14 HAS TAKEN A SERIES OF PROMPT AND DECISIVE MEASURES TO FIGHT
15 S.A.R.S. WE HAVE PUT THE S.A.R.S. CONTROL ON TOP OF THE AGENDA
16 FOR GOVERNMENT OF ALL LEVELS. THE NATIONAL S.A.R.S. CONTROL
17 HEADQUARTERS HAS BEEN SET UP TO PREVENT -- TO PROVIDE
18 LEADERSHIP OVER NATIONWIDE S.A.R.S. PREVENTION CONTROL. I
19 THINK THE SITUATION BE IMPROVED QUITE DRAMATICALLY IN CHINA. I
20 THINK AT THE MIDDLE OF APRIL THAT DIAGNOSED DISEASE --
21 DIAGNOSED CASES IN CHINA EVERY DAY WAS SOMETIMES OVER 200. I
22 THINK AT THE PEAK IT'S OVER 300. THE LATEST REPORT WE HAVE
23 FROM CHINA YESTERDAY, ONLY NINE CASES. SO OLDER MEASURES TAKEN
24 NOW IN CHINA IS TAKING EFFECT. AND ABOVE THAT, ONE OF THE
25 EFFORTS CHINA GOVERNMENT HAS PROMISED TO PREVENT ANY KNOWN



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1 CASES BEING EXPORTED OUT OF CHINA. THAT IS, WE HAVE TAKEN
2 EVERY POSSIBLE PRECAUTION AT ALL THE AIRPORTS FOR ALL THE
3 TRAVELERS, TRAVEL OUT TO -- TRAVEL FROM CHINA TO OTHER
4 COUNTRIES. WE ALL CHECK THEIR HEALTH SITUATION AND DO
5 EVERYTHING NOT TO HAVE ANYONE -- EVERY PATIENT TO HAVE ALL
6 THESE DISEASES GO OUT OF CHINA. I THINK THAT WE'RE NOW IS ALSO
7 TAKING EFFECT. BUT ABOUT CONCERNINGS OF THE COMMUNITY HERE,
8 CHINESE COMMUNITY, I THINK THEY ARE BEING STRUCK QUITE
9 HEAVILY. SEVERAL REPORTS FROM CHINESE COMMUNITY HERE, ALL THE
10 RESTAURANTS HERE HAVE BEEN HIT PRETTY HARD. AND THE WORST ARE
11 THE SUPERMARKETS AND THE SHOPS FROM CHINATOWN ALSO BEEN
12 STRUCK, JUST BECAUSE OF SOME RUMORS THERE. BUT I THINK THE
13 SITUATION ALSO IMPROVED ON THAT FIELD. THE LOCAL MEDIA DOING A
14 VERY GOOD JOB TO CORRECT PEOPLE'S UNNECESSARY FEELINGS AND THE
15 RUMORS, AND I THINK WE INVITED SEVERAL COMMUNITY LEADERS HERE
16 TODAY AND THEY WILL ALSO TELL YOU ALL THE -- WHAT HAPPENED IN
17 THE CHINESE COMMUNITY HERE. I THINK ANOTHER FIELD ALSO BEING
18 AFFECTED HERE IS ALL THE TRAVEL AGENCIES. THEY ARE BEING HIT
19 PRETTY HEAVY. CHINESE TRAVEL -- TOURIST MARKET WAS QUITE
20 REMARKABLE, AND THE LAST YEAR, THE NUMBER OF THE PEOPLE
21 TRAVELING TO CHINA INCREASED QUITE DRAMATICALLY. I THINK THE
22 NUMBER FROM 2001 TO 2002, THEY INCREASED SOMETHING AROUND 20%,
23 AND THE PEOPLE ALL EXPECT THIS YEAR WILL BE A VERY GOOD YEAR,
24 SO THEY INVEST HUGE SUM OF MONEY INTO THIS MARKET FOR
25 ADVERTISEMENT AND ALSO FOR ALL THE ORGANIZED TOURS TO CHINA,



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1 BUT BECAUSE OF THE S.A.R.S., MOST OF THIS BUSINESS CANNOT
2 PROVE HERE THEIR TARGETS THE YEAR AND ALSO I THINK THE LACK OF
3 INVESTMENT FOR NEXT YEAR'S ADVERTISEMENT AND ORGANIZATION OF
4 THE TOURS. WE HAVE NOW STUDIED THIS SITUATION VERY CAREFULLY
5 AND HAVE TRIED TO DO EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO HAVE THIS TOURIST
6 BUSINESS, THOSE IN CALIFORNIA AND ALSO IN CHINA. THE CONSULATE
7 PUT OUT STUDIES TO CHINESE GOVERNMENT AND WE ARE STILL
8 STUDYING WHAT WE CAN DO POSSIBLE TO HELP THEM. I'M VERY
9 GRATEFUL THAT COUNTY CAN GIVE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO THE CHINESE
10 COMMUNITY AND ALSO HAVE A VERY CLOSE LOOK AT THE SITUATION
11 HERE AFFECTED BY S.A.R.S. AND THEY CAN END THE GRIDLOCK TO
12 HELP THE CHINESE COMMUNITY AND ALL THE BUSINESSES BEING
13 AFFECTED BY THAT. BEFORE I CONCLUDE MY TALK HERE, I'D LIKE TO
14 ALSO THANK THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THEY HAVE SHOWN ITS
15 UNDERSTANDING AND EXTENDED ITS SUPPORT ON BEHALF OF THE
16 CHINESE GOVERNMENT AND THE PEOPLE, I HEREBY WISH TO EXTEND THE
17 SINCERE GRATITUDE TO ALL THE PEOPLE AND ORGANIZATION OF LOS
18 ANGELES FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING MORAL SUPPORTS AS WELL AS
19 FINANCIAL MATERIAL AND TECHNOLOGICAL ASSISTANCE. THANK YOU
20 VERY MUCH.

21

22 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR COMING. WE
23 CERTAINLY ARE VERY SENSITIVE. WE HAVE TWO PEOPLE FROM THE
24 BUSINESS COMMUNITY, VINCENT LEE FROM THE AMERICAN RESTAURANT
25 MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION, AND CURTIS JUNG OF THE ASIAN BUSINESS



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1 LEAGUE OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, WE'D LIKE TO ASK THEM TO COME
2 FORWARD SO THAT WE CAN HEAR FROM THEM.

3

4 **CURTIS JUNG:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MADAM PRESIDENT, MEMBERS OF THE
5 BOARD, I'M CURTIS JUNG, AND I'M HERE TO GIVE A LOCAL
6 PERSPECTIVE. AND I'M THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE ASIAN BUSINESS
7 LEAGUE OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. AND LET ME BRIEFLY TELL YOU A
8 LITTLE BIT ABOUT THE ASIAN BUSINESS LEAGUE, WHICH I'LL REFER
9 TO AS A.B.L. WE WERE FOUNDED OVER 18 YEARS AGO HERE IN LOS
10 ANGELES, AND THE A.B.L. IS A BUSINESS AND TRADE ASSOCIATION
11 WHERE OUR MISSION IS TO PROVIDE BUSINESS AND NETWORKING
12 OPPORTUNITIES, EDUCATIONAL AND TRAINING PROGRAMS AND SEMINARS
13 TO OUR MEMBERS AS WELL AS BUSINESS PROCUREMENT. WE HAVE
14 HUNDREDS OF MEMBERS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY, THOUSANDS OF
15 ASSOCIATED MEMBERS AND SUPPORTERS. OUR MEMBERS INCLUDE FORTUNE
16 500 COMPANIES, SMALL BUSINESSES WHICH MAKE UP A LOT OF OUR
17 MEMBERS, INDIVIDUALS AND PROFESSIONALS. WE HAVE OFFICES HERE
18 IN DOWNTOWN AND AS WELL AS IN NORTHERN CALIFORNIA. I'M HERE
19 MAINLY FOR -- TO MAKE TWO POINTS. FIRST OF ALL, ON BEHALF OF
20 A.B.L., WE SINCERELY WANT TO THANK AND -- THANK AND SHOW OUR
21 APPRECIATION TO THE COUNTY, TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR
22 ADOPTING THIS RESOLUTION TO CREATE THIS TASK FORCE. WE ALSO
23 WOULD LIKE TO THANK AND ACKNOWLEDGE OUR GREAT FRIEND OF THE
24 COMMUNITY, SUPERVISOR DON KNABE FOR INTRODUCING AND TAKING THE
25 INITIATIVE TO INTRODUCE THIS RESOLUTION. ALSO, SECOND, ON



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1 BEHALF OF A.B.L., WE ARE HERE TO SHOW OUR SUPPORT, TO SHOW OUR
2 ASSISTANCE IN THE COUNTY ON ITS EFFORTS TO IMPLEMENT AND TO
3 FACILITATE THEIR PLANS AND OBJECTIVES OF THE TASK FORCE, AND
4 WE ARE HERE FOR YOU ON BEHALF OF THE LOCAL BUSINESS COMMUNITY.
5 ON A FINAL NOTE, PERHAPS ANOTHER REASON WHY WE HAVE THIS TASK
6 FORCE IS AN UNDERLYING REASON, WHICH IS WHY WE'RE HERE TODAY,
7 WHY ALL OF US ARE HERE TODAY, WHICH IS TO PROMOTE THIS RICH
8 CULTURE AND DIVERSITY OF THIS COUNTY. LIKE ALL MINORITY
9 GROUPS, WHETHER ASIAN AND PACIFIC AMERICANS OR LATINS OR
10 AFRICAN-AMERICANS, WE ALL CAME HERE MANY YEARS AGO, LIKE MY
11 GRANDFATHER, GENERATIONS AGO, CAME OVER FROM CHINA, OPENED UP
12 A SMALL BUSINESS, JUST A FEW BLOCKS DOWN THE STREET, AND SOON
13 ALL THESE OTHER BUSINESSES OPENED UP AROUND THERE, AND THAT
14 BECAME L.A.'S CHINATOWN. THE SAME HAPPENED FOR OTHER ASIAN
15 BROTHERS AND SISTERS WHO STARTED OPENING UP SHOPS IN -- DOWN
16 IN OLYMPIC ABOUT A MILE FROM HERE WHICH STARTED KOREA TOWN.
17 THE SAME THING HAPPENED IN LITTLE TOKYO, WITH OUR JAPANESE
18 AMERICAN FRIENDS, AND THE SAME IN THE OTHER MINORITY
19 COMMUNITIES, EAST LOS ANGELES, AFRICAN-AMERICAN COMMUNITIES,
20 BECAUSE THEY SAW THE OPPORTUNITIES HERE, AND THIS IS WHAT THIS
21 COUNTY WAS ALL ABOUT. IT'S ABOUT THESE SMALL BUSINESSES WHO
22 ARE THE BACKBONE AND WHO ARE THE ENGINE OF THIS COUNTY. AND WE
23 HAVE TO MAKE SURE THAT THESE BUSINESSES SURVIVE AND THAT THEY
24 THRIVE AND THAT THEY SUCCEED, BECAUSE THIS IS ALL PART OF
25 THEIR AMERICAN DREAM. AND SO ON BEHALF OF A.B.L., WE THANK THE



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1 COUNTY VERY MUCH FOR PASSING THIS RESOLUTION. WE ARE HERE TO
2 SHOW OUR SUPPORT AND WE ARE HERE TO LEND A HELPING HAND. THANK
3 YOU VERY MUCH.

4

5 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

6

7 **VINCENT LEE:** GOOD AFTERNOON, AND MY NAME IS VINCENT LEE. I'M
8 THE PRESIDENT OF AMERICAN RESTAURANT MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION.
9 THANKS FOR ALLOWING ME TO SPEAK HERE AND ALSO I WOULD LIKE TO
10 APPRECIATE SUPERVISOR KNABE BRINGING UP THIS MOTION AND THE
11 RESOLUTION. OUR COMMUNITY TO HAVE THIS S.A.R.S. RUMOR FOR THE
12 LAST COUPLE MONTHS, LUCKILY, WITHOUT THE COUNCIL -- COUNCILMEN
13 FROM SAN GABRIEL CITY AND ALSO CITY OF MONTEREY PARK TO COME
14 OUT AND CLEAR THE MATTERS. AND ALSO, A LOT OF BUSINESS IS
15 GOING BACK, NOT TO NORMAL, BUT IS MUCH BETTER THAN BEFORE. AND
16 ALSO, OUR ASSOCIATION TOO AND WHY IS THERE, ALL OUR RESTAURANT
17 EMPLOYEES AND STAFF AND ALSO THE FAMILY MEMBERS, WHOEVER THEY
18 COME BACK FROM FAR EAST TO STAY HOME FOR TWO WEEKS BEFORE THEY
19 SHOW UP TO WORK. ANYWAY, I WOULD LIKE TO SEE HOW THE HEALTH
20 DEPARTMENT AND ALSO COUNTY SUPERVISOR CAN BRING OUT SOME
21 BETTER SOLUTION TO PREVENT AND ALSO TO CONTROL FOR THIS
22 S.A.R.S. FEAR. THANK YOU.

23

24 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

25



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1 **BARRY SEDLIK:** MADAM PRESIDENT, IF I MAY HAVE ONE 10-SECOND
2 CLOSING COMMENT. I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT FIRST OF ALL, WE ARE
3 VERY MUCH APPRECIATIVE TO SUPERVISOR KNABE FOR INTRODUCING
4 THIS TASK FORCE, BUT SECONDLY, ON BEHALF OF THE L.A.E.D.C. AND
5 THE WORLD TRADE CENTER ASSOCIATION, WE STAND READY TO WORK
6 WITH THE OTHER ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING CURTIS -- THE ASIAN
7 BUSINESS LEAGUE, THE RESTAURANT ASSOCIATION, AND WITH THE
8 CONSULAR CORPS TO HELP THE COUNTY IN ANY WAY WE CAN WITH THE
9 PRESSING WORK OF THIS TASK FORCE, SO THANK YOU AGAIN FOR
10 LETTING US SPEAK THIS AFTERNOON.

11

12 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** I JUST WANT TO THANK THEM, EVERYONE FOR COMING
15 DOWN, THE TWO MEMBERS OF THE CONSUL-GENERAL CORPS AND AS WELL
16 AS CURTIS AND MR.LEE AND BARRY, BUT I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT,
17 TOO, THAT WE HAVE OUR DEPARTMENT GIVE AN UPDATE AS TO WHERE WE
18 ARE AND THE RESULTS OF OUR FIRST MEETING OF THE TASK FORCE. I
19 THINK OBVIOUSLY ONE OF THE ISSUES WE'RE TRYING TO DO, AND I
20 KNOW WE FORMED A MEDIA SUBCOMMITTEE TO CONTAIN THE FALSE
21 RUMORS AND DEAL WITH THE OVERALL ISSUE, IT'S IMPACTING US,
22 THERE'S SOME WILD E-MAILS HAVE GONE AROUND AND DIRECTLY
23 IMPACTED SOME RESTAURANTS. SO JON IF YOU'D LIKE TO COME
24 FORWARD. ALSO THE EFFORTS OF OUR OFFICE OF SMALL BUSINESSES,



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1 WHILE WHO HAS BEEN AN INTEGRAL PART OF ASSISTING BUSINESSES
2 THAT ARE LOSING CUSTOMERS, TOO. SO.

3

4 **DR. JONATHON FIELDING:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR, MADAM
5 CHAIR, BOARD MEMBERS. I WANT TO REPORT ON THE PROGRESS TO DATE
6 IN RESPONDING TO THE BOARD'S MOTION OF APRIL 29TH INSTRUCTING
7 US TO CONVENE A BUSINESS AND HEALTH ADVISORY TASK FORCE ON
8 S.A.R.S. DUE TO THE URGENCY OF THE ISSUE, AN INITIAL GROUP WAS
9 CONVENED FOLLOWING THE GUIDELINES DEFINED BY YOUR BOARD AND
10 WITH SUBSTANTIAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE COUNTY'S OFFICE OF SMALL
11 BUSINESS AND OTHERS. INITIAL MEETING WAS HELD ON MAY 19TH WITH
12 A GOAL OF GETTING PRELIMINARY THOUGHTS AND WORKING TO EXPAND
13 THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE GROUP TO FORM THE TASK FORCE. DURING
14 THAT INITIAL MEETING, THE GROUP RECOMMENDED A SUBCOMMITTEE
15 WITH A SPECIFIC TASK BE FORMED. VARIOUS MEMBERS OF THE GROUP
16 REPRESENTING THE ASIAN/PACIFIC ISLANDER BUSINESS COMMUNITY,
17 SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS AND MEDIA FELT THAT A SUBSTANTIAL
18 SEGMENT OF THE ASIAN/PACIFIC ISLANDER COMMUNITY RELIES ON NEWS
19 THAT COMES FROM THEIR COUNTRIES OF ORIGIN BY SATELLITE T.V.,
20 AND RADIO BROADCASTS AND EVEN PRINT MEDIA, AND THEREFORE THESE
21 INDIVIDUALS ARE NOT AWARE OF THE LIMITED NUMBER OF CASES OF
22 S.A.R.S. AND THE FACT THAT THERE HAVE BEEN NO DEATHS AND
23 NOBODY IN LIFE-THREATENING ILLNESS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WELL
24 THAT LED TO A SUBSTANTIAL FEAR, THE LACK OF THIS INFORMATION,
25 A SUBSTANTIAL FEAR OF LEAVING THE PERCEIVED SAFETY OF THEIR



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1 HOMES TO PURSUE THEIR USUAL BUSINESS, MARKETING, OR LEISURE
2 TIME ACTIVITY. AND, OF COURSE, THIS HAS HAD, AS YOU'VE HEARD,
3 A SEVERE IMPACT ON BUSINESS ACTIVITY IN THE COMMUNITY, AND
4 SURPRISINGLY EVEN SOME HOSPITALS ARE REPORTING A DECREASE IN
5 CENSUS. THIS GROUP RECOMMENDED THAT WE APPROACH THE EDITORIAL
6 LEADERSHIP OF THE ASIAN/PACIFIC ISLANDER PRESS AND MEDIA AND
7 ATTEMPT TO CONVINCE THEM TO FEATURE THE POSITIVE ASPECTS OF
8 THE CURRENT LIMITED INVASION OF S.A.R.S. IN L.A. COUNTY AND IN
9 THE UNITED STATES. THE SUBCOMMITTEE WHEN FORMED WILL HAVE THE
10 TASK OF ADVISING US ON THE BEST MEANS OF CONTACTING THE
11 APPROPRIATE LEADERSHIP IN THE MEDIA AND HOW BEST TO STRUCTURE
12 THE MESSAGES THAT WE WANT TO CONVEY. IN THE MEANTIME, WE'LL
13 CONTINUE TO EXPAND THE TASK FORCE BASED ON INPUT FROM BOARD
14 OFFICES AND CONCERNED STAKEHOLDERS. ONCE FULLY FORMED, THE
15 SUBCOMMITTEE, WE WILL RECONVENE THE -- AND WHEN THE
16 SUBCOMMITTEE HAS MET AND DELIBERATED, WE'LL THEN RECONVENE THE
17 TASK FORCE TO LISTEN TO ITS RECOMMENDATIONS AND ADDRESS ANY
18 OTHER ISSUES. WE ANTICIPATE THE DURATION OF THE TASK FORCE NOT
19 TO EXCEED BEYOND JULY 31ST OF THIS YEAR. ALTHOUGH THE TASK
20 FORCE HAS NOT YET FINALIZED ITS WORK PLAN, WE ENVISION ITS
21 TASKS TO INCLUDE PROVIDING ADVICE CONCERNING WAYS TO MAXIMIZE
22 INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC REGARDING S.A.R.S., VERY
23 IMPORTANT TO REDUCE FEAR AND ANXIETY, TO WORK WITH HEALTHCARE
24 PROVIDERS TO ASSURE THAT INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE IN A TIMELY
25 MANNER, TO INCREASE DIALOGUE REGARDING S.A.R.S. WITH THE



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1 MEDIA, THE BUSINESS, AND COMMUNITY GROUPS. THE TASK FORCE IS
2 BEING STAFFED THROUGH THE PUBLIC HEALTH MEDICAL DIRECTOR'S
3 OFFICE. WE ESTIMATE THAT TO DATE 35 HOURS OF STAFF TIME HAS
4 BEEN DEDICATED TO THIS PROJECT. ALSO ATTACHED IN A DRAFT
5 REPORT WE GAVE YOU IS THE CURRENT U.S., STATE, AND LOCAL DATA
6 REGARDING THE NUMBER OF S.A.R.S. CASES THAT HAVE BEEN
7 IDENTIFIED AS OF MAY 23RD OF JUST A FEW DAYS AGO, AND THAT
8 SHOWS IN LOS ANGELES, WE HAVE 14 CASES, 6 PROBABLE, THOSE ARE
9 THE ONES THAT MEET THE W.H.O. DEFINITION, AND 8 SUSPECT CASES.
10 THAT'S OUT OF A TOTAL IN CALIFORNIA PROBABLE CASES OF 22 AND
11 65 NATIONALLY. LOS ANGELES COUNTY NOW, AMONG THE S.A.R.S.
12 PROBABLE OR SUSPECT GROUP INCLUDES FOUR CHILDREN LESS THAN 10
13 YEARS OF AGE AND THREE PERSONS OVER 70 YEARS OF AGE. THE
14 AVERAGE AGE IS 36 AND THE RANGE IS AGES TWO TO 78. AND WE'VE
15 POSTED CONSIDERABLE S.A.R.S. INFORMATION ON OUR WEB AND WE'VE
16 ALSO PROVIDED A LINK TO THE C.D.C. WHICH PROVIDES UPDATED
17 INFORMATION ON A REGULAR BASIS. WE'VE ALSO SENT INFORMATION TO
18 EACH OF THE 30,000 LICENSED PHYSICIANS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY
19 AND TO EVERY HOSPITAL IN THE COUNTY ON THE NEED FOR INCREASED
20 VIGILANCE. WE HAVE TO LEARN THE LESSONS FROM CHINA, FROM
21 SINGAPORE, FROM HONG KONG, FROM TAIWAN, FROM TORONTO. AND
22 WE'VE SENT LETTERS TO ALL OF THEM INDICATING THEY HAVE TO BE
23 MORE VIGILANT, THAT THEY UTILIZE APPROPRIATE ISOLATION
24 TECHNIQUES AND ALSO THE NEED FOR IMMEDIATE REPORTING OF CASES
25 TO US. INFORMATION IS ALSO AVAILABLE TO OUR COUNTY RESIDENTS



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1 ON A HOTLINE, WHICH IS IN SEVEN LANGUAGES. WE HAVE BEEN
2 WORKING WITH THE PRESS RESPONDING TO THEM AT ALMOST A DAILY
3 BASIS, INCLUDING THE ASIAN MEDIA, BOTH HERE AND ABROAD. OUR
4 MEDICAL EPIDEMIOLOGIST HAS ALSO DONE DOZENS OF SESSIONS,
5 EDUCATIONAL SESSIONS FOR LOCAL HOSPITAL STAFF AND OUR REGIONAL
6 STAFF HAVE RESPONDED TO TOWN HALL MEETINGS AND OTHER REQUESTS
7 FOR INFORMATION AND PRESENTATION. WE'LL REPORT TO YOU AGAIN
8 WHEN THE SUBCOMMITTEE HAS MET AND DEVELOPED A PLAN FOR
9 CONSIDERATION BY THE TASK FORCE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

10

11 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. IS THERE -- THERE'S NO MOTION
12 THAT'S REQUIRED FOR THE TASK FORCE. IT'S JUST A REPORT. I HAD
13 INDICATED I WAS GOING TO CALL ITEM 5 NEXT, BUT -- WERE THERE
14 ANY OTHER QUESTIONS?

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** JUST ONE. HOW MANY CALLS HAVE YOU RECEIVED
17 FROM THE HOTLINE?

18

19 **DR. JONATHON FIELDING:** SUPERVISOR, I DON'T HAVE THAT
20 INFORMATION. I'LL BE HAPPY TO GET THAT TO YOU AND THE OTHER
21 SUPERVISORS BY THE END OF THE DAY.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND HAVE ANY OF THOSE CALLS FROM THE HOTLINE
24 BEEN OF NEW INFORMATION?

25



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1 **DR. JONATHON FIELDING:** SUPERVISOR, WE HAVE SEVERAL DIFFERENT
2 HOTLINES. ONE IS FOR PHYSICIANS AND HOSPITALS TO CALL OUR
3 MEDICAL EPIDEMIOLOGISTS, AND WE STAFF THOSE 24-7. WE HAVE A
4 REGULAR DEPARTMENTAL HOTLINE FOR ALL KINDS OF QUESTIONS. WE
5 SET UP A SPECIAL HOTLINE FOR RESIDENTS TO GET INFORMATION
6 SPECIFICALLY ON S.A.R.S. AND IT'S SIMPLY A TAPE THAT GIVES THE
7 MOST COMMONLY-ASKED QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS BASED ON THE CENTERS
8 FOR DISEASE CONTROL INFORMATION, AND I CAN'T TELL YOU, I'M NOT
9 SURE WE HAVE A COUNTER ON THOSE IN TERMS OF HOW MANY RECEIVE
10 THIS IN EVERY LANGUAGE. WE WERE THE FIRST MUNICIPALITY, FIRST
11 ORGANIZATION, GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION OR PRIVATE
12 ORGANIZATION TO PUT SUCH A HOTLINE TOGETHER.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** SO YOU DON'T -- IT'S NOT A RESPONSE KIND OF A
15 SITUATION, JUST A STRAIGHT TAPE WITH?

16

17 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** THAT'S CORRECT. WE ALSO HAVE A REGULAR
18 DEPARTMENTAL HOTLINE WHICH CAN ANSWER OTHER QUESTIONS OR THEY
19 CAN CALL OUR COMMUNICABLE DISEASE UNIT, PARTICULARLY FOR
20 PHYSICIANS AND HOSPITALS.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE:** HAS THERE BEEN ANY RUMOR CONTROL KINDS OF
23 SITUATIONS WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO DEAL WITH SINCE WE'VE EITHER HAD
24 THE TASK FORCE OR PRIOR TO THAT? YOU KNOW, WE HAD A COUPLE OF
25 ISSUES IN THE EAST SAN GABRIEL VALLEY WHERE THERE WAS AN



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1 INCREDIBLE IMPACT ON A COUPLE OF RESTAURANTS OUT THERE. HAVE
2 WE AS A COUNTY GOTTEN INVOLVED IN THAT OR, I MEAN, HAVE WE
3 BEEN ABLE TO ALLEVIATE SOME OF THE MISINFORMATION OR THE
4 RUMORS ABOUT A PARTICULAR SITUATION, A STORE OR RESTAURANT?

5

6 **DR. JONATHON FIELDING:** YES, WE HAVE, SUPERVISOR. WE'VE BEEN
7 VERY ACTIVE IN THE CHINESE MEDIA, THIS WAS ABOUT CHINESE
8 RESTAURANTS AND MARKETS. I WAS ON A NUMBER OF THEM ON ALMOST
9 ON A DAILY BASIS. WE ALSO PARTICIPATED IN A PRESS CONFERENCE
10 THEY HAD AT A CHINESE RESTAURANT. A NUMBER OF US ATE CHINESE
11 FOOD TO SHOW THAT THERE WAS NO RISK OF TRANSMITTING THIS VIA
12 THAT FOOD. WE'VE WORKED VERY CLOSELY WITH THE ASIAN MEDIA AND
13 WITH ALSO COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES AND COMMUNITY LEADERS.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I HAD INDICATED I WAS
18 GOING TO CALL ITEM 5, BUT I'M NOT GOING TO CALL THAT OUT OF
19 ORDER. THERE HAVE BEEN SO MANY PEOPLE WHO'VE INDICATED THEY
20 WISH TO SPEAK ON IT. WE'LL GO DIRECTLY TO ITEM 37, NEWHALL
21 RANCH, AT THIS TIME. WE'RE GOING TO TAKE UP NEWHALL RANCH,
22 ITEM 37. THEN AFTER WE'VE CONCLUDED THAT, AND IF I HAVE NO
23 OBJECTION, WE'LL PROVIDE 30 MINUTES FOR EACH SIDE. AND IS
24 THERE ANY OBJECTION FROM ANY OF THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD TO 30
25 MINUTES ON EACH SIDE? IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, THAT'S WHAT



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1 WOULD BE MY INTENTION, AND WE WILL CALL THE OPPOSED FIRST. WE
2 HAVE PEOPLE WHO WISH TO SPEAK ON THIS. WE HAVE HAD A HEARING
3 BEFORE, I BELIEVE. PERHAPS YOU COULD GIVE US SOME IDEA OF
4 WHERE WE ARE, MR. WEISS.

5

6 **RICHARD WEISS:** MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, ON MARCH
7 25TH YOUR BOARD HEARD EXTENSIVE TESTIMONY ON THIS PROJECT AND,
8 AT THE CONCLUSION OF THAT HEARING, YOU CLOSED THE HEARING AND
9 INSTRUCTED STAFF TO PREPARE THE FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL
10 DOCUMENTATION AND PROPOSED DOCUMENTS WHICH YOU COULD USE TO
11 APPROVE THE PROJECT IF YOU DECIDED TO DO SO. STAFF HAS
12 PREPARED A COMPREHENSIVE STAFF REPORT AND PROPOSED APPROVAL
13 DOCUMENTS THAT ARE COMPATIBLE WITH THE VARIOUS MOTIONS THAT
14 YOUR BOARD ENTERTAINED AND ADOPTED ON THAT DAY. THE HEARING
15 HAS BEEN CLOSED BUT YOUR BOARD HAS NOT YET DELIBERATED OR
16 TAKEN ANY INTENDED ACTION ON THE PROJECT.

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18 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MAYBE WE SHOULD HEAR FROM THE STAFF FIRST.

19

20 **LEE STARK, REGIONAL PLANNING:** THANK YOU. I'M LEE STARK WITH
21 THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING AND DR. DARYL KOUTNIK, OUR
22 STAFF BIOLOGIST, IS WITH ME ON MY LEFT. WE ALSO HAVE
23 REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS SHOULD YOU
24 HAVE ANY QUESTIONS THAT THEY WOULD NEED TO ANSWER. IN -- ON
25 MARCH 25TH IN COMPLETING OUR WORK FOR TODAY, YOU ASKED THAT



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1 ANY ENVIRONMENTAL MATERIALS COLLECTED BY ANY PROJECT
2 CONSULTANT THAT HAD NOT BEEN SUBMITTED TO THE COUNTY BE
3 DELIVERED TO UNDERGO PEER REVIEW BY COUNTY STAFF EXPERTS. THE
4 FINAL ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS, WHICH YOU RECEIVED SEVERAL DAYS
5 AGO, INCLUDING THE LATEST VOLUME VI AND VII, RESPOND TO THE
6 ISSUES DIRECTED BY THE COURT AS WELL AS OTHER SIGNIFICANT
7 ISSUES RAISED SINCE THE BOARD TOOK ACTION ON THIS MATTER IN
8 MARCH OF 1999. THROUGH THE ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS, THE PUBLIC
9 REVIEW PROCESS, AND AT YOUR DIRECTION, SEVERAL CHANGES HAVE
10 BEEN MADE TO THE SPECIFIC PLAN AND ADDITIONAL MEASURES HAVE
11 BEEN ADDED. THESE INCLUDE THE CREATION OF 64 ACRES OF SPINE
12 FLOWER CONSERVATION EASEMENT AREAS RESULTING IN A REDUCTION OF
13 RESIDENTIAL USES OF 730 UNITS AND NONRESIDENTIAL USES OF
14 132,000 SQUARE FEET. THE CREATION OF THREE SPINE FLOWER
15 SPECIAL MITIGATION -- SPECIAL STUDY MITIGATION OVERLAY AREAS,
16 AND ALSO ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS TO FURTHER MITIGATE POTENTIAL
17 IMPACTS TO SPINE FLOWER WERE ADDED INCLUDING AMENDMENTS TO
18 MITIGATION MEASURES EXCLUDING ROADS IN ALL SPINE FLOWER
19 PRESERVES AND BUFFER AREAS, UNLESS DOING SO IS FOUND TO BE THE
20 ENVIRONMENTALLY SUPERIOR ALTERNATIVE. ADDITION OF A MITIGATION
21 MEASURE REQUIRING ESTABLISHMENT OF AN APPROPRIATELY SIZED
22 SPINE FLOWER PRESERVE AREA IN SAN MARTINEZ CANYON AND ADDITION
23 OF THE COUNTY STAFF RECOMMENDED MEASURE PERTAINING TO A STUDY
24 OF THE BREEDING AND POLLINATION BIOLOGY OF THE SPINE FLOWER.
25 IN RESPONSE TO PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING THE RIVER, THE



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1 PROPOSED CHANGES TO S.E.A.-23 WERE MODIFIED TO INCLUDE AN
2 ADDITIONAL 156 ACRES AND DEVELOPMENT WITHIN THE RIPARIAN AREA
3 WAS REDUCED FROM 28 ACRES TO ONE ACRE. THE WATER RECLAMATION
4 PLANT WAS REDESIGNED AND ITS LOCATION WAS MODIFIED TO REDUCE
5 IMPACTS TO RIPARIAN HABITAT. NOW ALL THESE CHANGES THAT I'VE
6 DESCRIBED SO FAR ARE HIGHLIGHTED ON THE MAP BEHIND YOU, THE
7 ONE ON THE RIGHT. WITH REGARDS TO WATER SUPPLY, ADDITIONAL
8 PROVISIONS WERE MADE TO ENSURE WATER AVAILABILITY ON NEWHALL
9 RANCH IN THE LONG-TERM, INCLUDING A PROVISION GIVING CASTAIC
10 LAKE WATER AGENCY CONTROL OVER THE DECISION TO EXTEND OR
11 CANCEL THE NICKEL FAMILY WATER AGREEMENT. MODIFICATIONS WERE
12 MADE FOR ADDITIONAL PROJECT-RELATED REQUIREMENTS, SUCH AS
13 ANNUAL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTITLEMENT STATUS REPORTS AND REVISED
14 SET-BACK REQUIREMENTS. AND PROTECTIVE MEASURES HAVE BEEN ADDED
15 TO ENSURE ONGOING DISCLOSURE AND ADEQUACY OF FUTURE
16 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION, SUCH AS CONSULTANT DISCLOSURE
17 STATEMENTS AND PEER REVIEW AND FUNDING. IN ADDITION, A PUBLIC
18 BENEFIT WAS ADDED BY CONDITIONING THE APPLICANT TO DEDICATE
19 1517 ACRES OF LAND TO THE PUBLIC REPRESENTING THE REMAINING
20 PORTION OF THE SALT CREEK WATERSHED IN VENTURA COUNTY ADJACENT
21 TO THE NEWHALL RANCH SPECIFIC PLAN. THAT'S ALSO SHOWN ON THE
22 MAP ON THE RIGHT. THE RESPONSE TO THE BOARD, VARIOUS COUNTY
23 STAFF MEMBERS HAVE REVIEWED BOXES OF MATERIALS DELIVERED TO
24 THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING FROM THE VARIOUS
25 CONSULTANTS AND SUB-CONSULTANTS WHO PERFORMED WORK ON THE



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1 NEWHALL RANCH ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTS. BASED ON THAT REVIEW,
2 STAFF HAS FOUND THE MATERIALS TO BE CONSISTENT WITH THE
3 INFORMATION DISCLOSED IN THE NEWHALL RANCH ENVIRONMENTAL
4 DOCUMENTATION. DURING THE REVIEW OF PALEONTOLOGICAL BACKGROUND
5 MATERIAL STAFF DETERMINED THAT A REFINEMENT OF MITIGATION
6 MEASURE 4.3-4 WOULD IMPROVE THE CLARITY OF THE PROCESS TO BE
7 USED WHEN CONDUCTING FURTHER INSPECTIONS AND THE MODIFIED
8 LANGUAGES INCLUDED IN THE REVISED MITIGATION MONITORING PLAN.
9 AS REQUESTED BY INTERESTED PARTIES, THESE DOCUMENTS HAVE BEEN
10 AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTIONS SINCE MAY 5TH. THE FINAL
11 ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS CONTAINS WRITTEN RESPONSES TO PUBLIC
12 COMMENT LETTERS RECEIVED THROUGH THE BOARD'S PUBLIC HEARING ON
13 MARCH 25TH, 2003, AS WELL AS RESPONSES TO THE ORAL TESTIMONY
14 GIVEN AT THAT HEARING. IN ADDITION, THE -- THE FINAL
15 ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS CONTAINS IMPORTANT APPENDIX MATERIALS
16 SUPPORTING THE RESPONSES TO PUBLIC COMMENTS. THESE WERE
17 CIRCULATED FOR PUBLIC REVIEW AT LEAST 10 DAYS PRIOR TO YOUR
18 MEETING TODAY. AT YOUR DIRECTION, STAFF HAS PREPARED THE
19 PROPOSED RESOLUTION FOR THE NEWHALL RANCH GENERAL AND SUB-PLAN
20 AMENDMENTS AND SPECIFIC PLAN, ZONE CHANGE ORDINANCE AND
21 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FINDINGS AND CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL
22 REFLECTING THE BOARD'S MOTIONS. THESE DOCUMENTS ARE INCLUDED
23 IN THE STAFF REPORT FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE
24 ACTION. THANK YOU, AND IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, I'D BE GLAD
25 TO ANSWER THEM OR GET ANSWERS FOR YOU.



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2 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. IF THERE ARE NO COMMENTS OR
3 QUESTIONS FROM THE BOARD, WE CAN START CALLING --

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5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME JUST SAY THAT THIS -- THE PROJECT OF
6 NEWHALL RANCH IS A SMART GROWTH DEVELOPMENT IN THE COUNTY OF
7 LOS ANGELES. IT'S SIMILAR TO THE CITY OF IRVINE'S PLANNED
8 CITY. SMART GROWTH IS A CUTTING-EDGE APPROACH EMBRACED BY
9 URBAN PLANNERS AND DESIGNERS. THE HOMES ARE GOING TO BE IN A
10 VARIETY OF PRICE RANGE. THEY WILL BE BUILT CLOSE TO JOB
11 CENTERS AND EXISTING DEVELOPMENTS. 19,000 NEW PERMANENT JOBS
12 WILL BE CREATED, SEVEN NEW PUBLIC SCHOOLS, THREE NEW FIRE
13 STATIONS, ONE PUBLIC LIBRARY, 6,000 ACRES OF PERMANENT OPEN
14 SPACE, WHICH IS NEARLY 10 SQUARE MILES, AN AREA THAT
15 REPRESENTS 50% OF THE ENTIRE PROJECT WILL BE DECLARED AS OPEN
16 SPACE. A REGIONAL PARK SIMILAR IN SIZE TO OUR OWN GRIFFITH
17 PARK, THREE COMMUNITY PARKS, 10 LOCAL PARKS, A 15-ACRE LAKE
18 AND 50 MILES OF TRAILS WILL BE PROVIDED. FROM A REGIONAL
19 PERSPECTIVE, THIS IS WHAT'S VERY IMPORTANT. THESE HOMES WILL
20 BE BUILT IN AN AREA THAT WILL BE CREATING JOBS IN THOSE
21 COMMUNITIES FOR THOSE RESIDENTS. IN THE VALENCIA GATEWAY
22 PROJECT ALONE, THEY HAVE 18 MILLION SQUARE FEET OF COMMERCIAL
23 INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND THEY HAVE 40,000 EMPLOYEES IN THOSE
24 FACILITIES TODAY, THEY'RE PROPOSING AN ADDITIONAL SIX MILLION
25 SQUARE FEET OF DEVELOPMENT WHICH WILL RESULT IN ANOTHER 10,000



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1 PERMANENT JOBS IN THE AREA. THERE WILL BE, AS I SAID, MORE
2 JOBS IN THE GREATER SANTA CLARITA VALLEY REGION THAT WILL
3 ACCOMMODATE THE PROPOSED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT. THAT
4 INCREASES THE NUMBER OF JOBS IN THE COMBINED SANTA CLARITA,
5 ANTELOPE VALLEY AND SOUTHERN KEARN COUNTY. PRIOR TO THE MARCH
6 25TH HEARING ON THE REVISED ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS, WE WENT
7 THROUGH VOLUMES OF ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS PREPARED BY A STAFF
8 OF QUALIFIED EXPERTS IN BIOLOGY, TRAFFIC, WATER QUALITY,
9 PUBLIC SERVICES, GEOLOGY, AND OTHER FIELDS OF STUDY. THEY
10 ADDRESSED MORE THAN 4,000 COMMENTS RECEIVED FROM INTERESTED
11 PARTIES, COUNTY STAFF INDEPENDENTLY REVIEWED THESE E.I.R.S AND
12 AFFIRMED THE FINDINGS, AND DUE TO CONCERNS EXPRESSED BY THE
13 PUBLIC AND MY COLLEAGUES, STAFF WAS DIRECTED TO CONDUCT
14 ADDITIONAL RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS. SINCE THE MARCH 25TH
15 HEARING, STAFF PREPARED RESPONSES CONTAINED IN 115 ADDITIONAL
16 LETTERS ADDRESSING A VARIETY OF ISSUES, RESPONSES TO COMMENTS
17 BY SPEAKERS WHO TESTIFIED AT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HEARING
18 WERE DONE, A REVIEW OF 43 BOXES OF MATERIAL SUBMITTED BY
19 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANTS AND SUB-CONSULTANTS WORKING ON THE
20 PROJECT. ADDITIONAL EXAMINATION OF ISSUES CONCERNING THE SAN
21 FERNANDO VALLEY SPINE FLOWER, REVIEW WATER SUPPLY AND
22 RELIABILITY ISSUES SURROUNDING THE NICKEL WATER AGREEMENT.
23 FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF THE IMPACT UPON THE S.E.A.-23, REVIEW
24 OF SET-BACK STANDARDS AND CONSIDERATION OF IMPACTS, BOTH THE
25 ROYAL TOAD AND THE SALT CREEK WATERSHED. REVIEW OF THE SOURCE



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1 DOCUMENTS, WHICH WAS NOT REQUIRED BY SEQUA, NOT REQUIRED BY
2 COUNTY CODES OR POLICIES AND NEVER CONDUCTED IN ANY OTHER
3 PREVIOUS PROJECT WAS DONE. IN SHORT, NEWHALL RANCH IS BEING
4 HELD TO A HIGHER THRESHOLD OF ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW AND
5 ANALYSIS THAN ANY OTHER PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT IN THE COUNTY'S
6 HISTORY. ADDITIONALLY, SOURCE DOCUMENTS WERE MADE AVAILABLE TO
7 THE PUBLIC BEGINNING ON MAY 5TH, REPRESENTATIVES OF COUNTY
8 COUNSEL'S OFFICE WENT SO FAR AS TO NOTIFY ATTORNEYS
9 REPRESENTING THE OPPONENTS THAT THIS INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE
10 FOR PUBLIC REVIEW. A VERY PUBLIC ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW PROCESS
11 HAS BEEN ONGOING SINCE 1999. STAFF REVIEW ANALYSIS AND
12 RESPONSES TO MORE THAN 4,000 INDIVIDUAL COMMENTS, UNDOUBTEDLY
13 SEVERAL INDIVIDUALS WILL PERSIST IN ALLEGING A RANGE OF
14 PURPORTED INADEQUACIES IN THE SEQUA ANALYSIS OF THE PROJECT.
15 IT'S SELF-EVIDENT THAT THESE INDIVIDUALS ARE CHOOSING TO
16 IGNORE A SUBSTANTIAL HISTORY OF COMPLETE, THOROUGH INDEPENDENT
17 ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW BY A GROUP OF QUALIFIED EXPERTS. THE SAN
18 FERNANDO VALLEY SPINE FLOWER ISSUE WAS REVISED BY THE NEWHALL
19 RANCH SPECIFIC PLAN WHICH PROPOSES THE ADDITION OF TWO SPINE
20 FLOWER CONSERVATION EASEMENT AREAS CONSISTING OF 64 ACRES OF
21 SPINE FLOWER RESERVE AND BUFFER AREAS. ROADWAYS WILL NOT BE
22 PERMITTED IN SPINE FLOWER PRESERVES AND BUFFER AREAS UNLESS
23 CERTAIN ENVIRONMENTAL CRITERIA ARE SATISFIED, SEVERAL
24 ADDITIONAL SPINE FLOWER MITIGATION MEASURES ARE RECOMMENDED BY
25 THE STAFF, A COMBINATION OF THESE CHANGES WILL RESULT IN



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1 ELIMINATION OF 730 HOUSING UNITS AND MORE THAN 100,000 SQUARE
2 FEET ON NONRESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT. ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS
3 CLEARLY DOCUMENTS A RELIABLE WATER SUPPLY OF APPROXIMATELY
4 18,000 ACRE PER FEET CONSISTENT WITH THE ANTICIPATED DEMAND
5 FOR THE PROJECT, BUT BY THIS ACTION AGAIN, NO NEW HOMES ARE
6 BEING BUILT, AND BEFORE THOSE HOMES ARE BEING BUILT, THEY'LL
7 HAVE TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THOSE
8 HEARINGS AND ONCE AGAIN ON THE WATER ISSUE. FOUR PRIMARY
9 SOURCES OF WATER FOR THE PROJECT, WELL WATER IN AN AMOUNT THAT
10 WILL NOT EXCEED WHAT THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY USES FOR
11 AGRICULTURAL PURPOSES, RECLAIM WATER FROM THE PROJECT ITSELF,
12 RECLAIMED FROM THE CASTAIC LAKE WATERS AGENCY AND WATER FROM
13 THE NICKEL WATER AGREEMENT. AND THE E.I.R. IDENTIFIES AN
14 ADDITIONAL 16,000 ACRE FEED OF WATER THAT WILL BE AVAILABLE
15 FOR GROUNDWATER DRINKING. NOW RELATIVE TO THE S.E.A. NUMBER
16 23, THE PLAN HAS BEEN MODIFIED SO THAT AREA TO BE USED FOR
17 DEVELOPMENT HAS BEEN REDUCED FROM 28 ACRES TO ONE ACRE, AND
18 THE REASON FOR THE ONE ACRE IS BECAUSE IT HAS TO REQUIRE
19 FOOTINGS ON THE PORTORO BRIDGE SPAN, A BRIDGE THAT WAS WIDENED
20 BY 200 FEET IN ORDER TO MINIMIZE THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS ON
21 THE SANTA CLARA RIVER. SO THAT'S BEING DONE TO MINIMIZE THE
22 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS ON THE SANTA CLARA RIVER. FUTURE REVIEW
23 WILL BE SUBJECT TO COUNTY REVIEW, A SERIES OF SUBDIVISION
24 MAPS, INCLUDING A SEQUA REVIEW FOR EACH AND EVERY COMPONENT OF
25 THE PROJECT. EACH CONSULTANT SHALL PROVIDE A DISCLOSURE



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1 STATEMENT SIGNED UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY THAT THEY HAVE
2 DISCLOSED TO COUNTY STAFF ALL RELEVANT ENVIRONMENTAL
3 INFORMATION AND DATA OBTAINED DURING THEIR WORK. AN APPLICANT
4 IS REQUIRED TO PROVIDE COUNTY WITH AN ANNUAL REPORT THAT
5 IDENTIFIES THE NUMBER OF UNITS CONSTRUCTED, SQUARE FOOTAGE OF
6 ALL NONRESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT, DATES OF DEDICATION OR
7 COMPLETION OF INFRASTRUCTURE AND COMMUNITY AMENITIES, STATUS
8 OF ALL COUNTY DISCRETIONARY ZONING APPLICATIONS, AND
9 ASSOCIATED SEQUA DOCUMENTS AND STATUS OF ALL DISCRETIONARY
10 APPLICATIONS FROM OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCIES. IS THAT CORRECT
11 TO THE DEPARTMENT? SO WHAT I'M SAYING IS GOSPEL?

12

13 **LEE STARK:** THAT'S RIGHT.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.

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19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAM CHAIR, I HAVE A FEW QUESTIONS, AND I
20 DON'T KNOW WHO OF THE STAFF IS GOING TO BE ABLE TO ANSWER IT,
21 BUT FIRST OF ALL, WHAT IS THE CURRENT ZONING IN THE SPECIFIC -
22 - THE PROPOSED SPECIFIC PLAN AREA?

23

24 **LEE STARK:** THE ZONING IS NOW AS S.P., SPECIFIC PLAN, BECAUSE
25 OF YOUR ACTION IN 1999.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY, WHAT IS THE ZONING, BUT WHAT IS THE
3 PLAN DESIGNATION IN THAT AREA? IS THERE A COMMUNITY PLAN
4 DESIGNATION IN THE AREA?

5

6 **LEE STARK:** IT'S THE ZONING AND THE PLAN ARE BOTH DESIGNATED
7 S.P. SPECIFIC PLAN.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IF I WANTED TO BUILD A HOUSE SOMEWHERE IN
10 THIS AREA, IF I JUST HAPPENED TO OWN A PIECE OF PROPERTY
11 THERE, WHAT WOULD I BE ENTITLED TO BUILD ON AN ACRE OF LAND.
12 I'VE GOT TO HAVE A RIGHT TO BUILD SOMETHING. WHAT WOULD IT BE?

13

14 **LEE STARK:** THE LAND HAS BEEN DIVIDED INTO, I BELIEVE 37 LOTS
15 ALREADY, AND ON EACH OF THOSE LOTS COMPRISING THOUSANDS OF
16 ACRES, HUNDREDS OF ACRES, YOU COULD BUILD ONE HOUSE, RIGHT
17 NOW.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. WHAT IS THE NUMBER OF HOUSES THAT IS
20 PROPOSED TO BE ALLOWED UNDER THE SPECIFIC PLAN, IN THE
21 SPECIFIC PLAN AREA?

22

23 **LEE STARK:** 20,885.

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25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** 20,885 HOMES?



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2 **LEE STARK:** RIGHT.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HAS THERE EVER BEEN A PLAN IN THIS KIND OF
5 AN ACREAGE IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES THAT IS ANY LARGER
6 THAN THIS, ANY DENSER -- I SHOULDN'T SAY DENSER, BUT A LARGER
7 NUMBER OF HOMES?

8

9 **LEE STARK:** NO.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. IS THE -- OF THE -- WITHIN THE
12 SPECIFIC PLAN AREA, WHAT -- HOW MANY -- HOW MUCH COMMERCIAL OR
13 INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT WILL BE PERMITTED?

14

15 **LEE STARK:** THERE ARE FIVE COMMUNITIES, EACH OF WHICH WILL HAVE
16 THEIR OWN COMMERCIAL CENTER AS WELL AS A BUSINESS PARK AREA TO
17 SERVE THE ENTIRE AREA. I DON'T RECALL THE TOTAL NUMBER OF
18 ACRES BUT.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT IS A COMMERCIAL CENTER IN EACH OF THE
21 COMMUNITIES MEAN? IS IT LIKE A SUPERMARKET, A CLOTHING STORE,
22 NEIGHBORHOOD, COMMUNITY SERVING.

23

24 **LEE STARK:** COLLECTION OF -- YES, A COLLECTION OF COMMUNITY
25 SERVING RETAIL ESTABLISHMENTS, OFFICES, AND MIXED USES.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. AND WHAT IS A BUSINESS CENTER AS THE
3 WAY YOU DESCRIBE IT? COULD YOU DEFINE IT FOR ME?

4

5 **LEE STARK:** IT IS LIGHT INDUSTRIAL, ANYWHERE FROM OFFICES TO
6 LIGHT INDUSTRIAL USES.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND YOU DON'T KNOW HOW MUCH LIGHT INDUSTRIAL
9 OR COMMERCIAL OTHER THAN THE COMMERCIAL CENTER, OTHER THAN
10 RETAIL USES, HOW MANY -- HOW MANY SQUARE FEET OF LIGHT
11 INDUSTRIAL OR OTHER OR OTHER KINDS OF --

12

13 **LEE STARK:** NOT WITHOUT LOOKING AT THE DOCUMENTS BEHIND ME.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WELL MAYBE DURING THE PUBLIC HEARING YOU
16 COULD DO THAT AND JUST GIVE US AN ANSWER.

17

18 **LEE STARK:** RIGHT, THERE -- THE -- THOSE TWO USES, HOWEVER,
19 WILL CREATE APPROXIMATELY 19,000 JOBS.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. AND HAVE YOU REVIEWED THE TRAFFIC
22 REPORT THAT IS PART OF THE ENVIRONMENT IMPACT REPORT, THE
23 TRAFFIC PART OF THE E.I.R.?

24



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1 **LEE STARK:** I'M NOT A TRAFFIC EXPERT, HOWEVER WE DO HAVE THE
2 COUNTY'S TRAFFIC EXPERT FROM PUBLIC WORKS WITH US TODAY WHO
3 HAS REVIEWED THEM.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT COULD I HAVE HIM HERE, COULD WE
6 ASK HIM TO COME FORWARD?

7

8 **LEE STARK:** CERTAINLY. THIS IS BARRY WITLER WITH THE DEPARTMENT
9 OF PUBLIC WORKS.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY, YOU'VE THE TRAFFIC REPORT?

12

13 **BARRY WITLER:** YES, I DID.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY, HOW MANY VEHICULAR TRIPS ARE GOING TO
16 BE GENERATED BY THIS SPECIFIC PLAN WHEN IT'S FULLY
17 IMPLEMENTED?

18

19 **BARRY WITLER:** I THINK IT'S IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD OF -- I THINK
20 IT'S ABOUT 387,000 DAILY TRIPS.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** 387,000 DAILY TRIPS?

23

24 **BARRY WITLER:** YES.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IN THE TRAFFIC REPORT WHERE DID MOST OF
2 THESE TRIPS --

3

4 **BARRY WITLER:** EXCUSE ME. I'M SORRY. WITH THE REDUCTION, IT'S
5 334,000 DAILY TRIPS. ORIGINALLY IT WAS 387,000.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ONLY 334,000 TRIPS.

8

9 **BARRY WITLER:** YES.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IN THE TRAFFIC REPORT, WHERE WERE THESE
12 334,000 TRIPS PROJECTED TO GO? WHAT PERCENTAGE OF THEM WERE
13 GOING TO BE SERVING THE -- STAY WITHIN THE SPECIFIC PLAN AREA
14 AND WHAT PERCENTAGE OF THEM WERE GOING TO HAVE TO EXIT AND
15 WHERE WOULD THEY GO? IN WHICH DIRECTION?

16

17 **BARRY WITLER:** OKAY, ABOUT 52% OF THE TRIPS WILL BE INTERNAL TO
18 NEWHALL RANCH. THOSE ARE TRIPS FOR SHOPPING, GOING TO SCHOOL,
19 YOU KNOW, THOSE TYPES OF USES. ANOTHER 38% WILL STAY IN THE
20 SANTA CLARITA VALLEY FOR A TOTAL OF 90% IN THE SANTA CLARITA
21 VALLEY. ABOUT 10% OF THOSE TRIPS ARE EXPECTED TO TRAVEL
22 OUTSIDE OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY, AND OF THOSE, A LITTLE
23 OVER 1% WOULD BE HEADED TOWARD VENTURA COUNTY. THE REMAINDER
24 OF THOSE, MOST OF THOSE WOULD BE HEADED DOWN THE I-5 --

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** INTO LOS ANGELES.

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3 **BARRY WITLER:** OR TO THE -- TO THE 14 FREEWAY.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. OF THE 334,000 DAILY TRIPS, HOW MANY
6 OF THEM ARE PEAK HOUR TRIPS, LETS THE A.M. PEAK?

7

8 **BARRY WITLER:** WELL IT'S ROUGHLY 10% OF THAT, PEAK HOURS ARE
9 USUALLY 10%.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** 10% OF THE -- 10% OF THE OVERALL DAILY TRIPS
12 WILL BE PEAK HOURS, SO YOU'RE PROJECTING ABOUT 33 OR 34,000
13 DAILY PEAK HOUR TRIPS?

14

15 **BARRY WITLER:** YES. WELL A.M. --

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** A.M. AND P.M. OR JUST A.M.

18

19 **BARRY WITLER:** IT'S 10% IN THE A.M. AND 10% IN THE P.M.
20 ROUGHLY.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** RIGHT, SO IN THE MORNING, YOU WILL HAVE
23 34,000 TRIPS LEAVING THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY, OVER 90%
24 CONSERVATIVELY OF THEM HEADING INTO LOS ANGELES, IS THAT
25 CORRECT?



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2 **BARRY WITLER:** NO, NO. NO.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY WHAT PERCENTAGE OF THOSE 34,000 TRIPS
5 ARE HEADING WHERE?

6

7 **BARRY WITLER:** AGAIN 90% OF THE TRIPS ARE EXPECTED TO STAY
8 WITHIN THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY. ABOUT 10% OF THOSE TRIPS AND
9 PROBABLY DURING THE PEAK HOURS, IT'S A LITTLE BIT MORE THAN
10 THE DAILY, BUT SOMETHING A LITTLE BIT MORE THAN 10% OF THE
11 TRIPS WILL BE LEAVING THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU BELIEVE THAT SOMEWHERE AROUND 10% OF THE
14 DAILY PEAK HOUR TRIPS, 7:00 IN THE MORNING, WHATEVER PEAK HOUR
15 IS OUT THERE, THAT SOMEWHERE AROUND 10% OF THE DAILY PEAK HOUR
16 TRIPS, JUST LET ME, I'M SORRY. LET ME REPHRASE THAT. THAT
17 SOMEWHERE CLOSE TO 90% OF THE DAILY PEAK HOUR TRIPS ARE GOING
18 TO STAY WITHIN THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY, THAT'S -- IS THAT
19 WHAT THE TRAFFIC STUDY SHOWS?

20

21 **BARRY WITLER:** YES, BECAUSE THE JOBS HOUSING BALANCE IN THE
22 SANTA CLARITA VALLEY, WHEN YOU'RE LOOKING AT THE BUILD-OUT OF
23 THIS PROJECT AND THE JOBS THAT ARE BEING CREATED IN THE TWO
24 MAJOR INDUSTRIAL CENTERS, THAT'S THE EXPECTATION.

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WELL LET ME ASK YOU THIS QUESTION. YOU'RE A
2 TRAFFIC ENGINEER, YOU'VE BEEN DOING THIS FOR A WHILE. HOW MANY
3 OF THE PEOPLE WHO NOW LIVE IN THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY, WHAT
4 WOULD YOU SAY THE CURRENT PEAK-HOUR TRIPS LEAVING OR GENERATED
5 IN THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY ARE STAYING WITHIN THE SANTA
6 CLARITA VALLEY? DO YOU THINK THAT THE 90% OF THE MORNING
7 TRAFFIC IN THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY DOESN'T LEAVE THE VALLEY,
8 THE SANTA CLARITA?

9

10 **BARRY WITLER:** NO, I DON'T, I DON'T. I DON'T KNOW WHAT THAT
11 NUMBER IS RIGHT NOW, BUT I WOULD SAY IT'S CONSIDERABLY MORE
12 THAN THAT.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IF IT'S CONSIDERABLY MORE THAN THAT, WHY DO
15 YOU THINK THAT IT WILL BE CONSIDERABLY LESS THAN THAT IN THE
16 NEXT GENERATION OF DEVELOPMENT OUT THERE?

17

18 **BARRY WITLER:** BECAUSE WE'RE LOOKING AT A SITUATION THAT WILL
19 OCCUR WITH THE BUILD-OUT OF THIS PROJECT AND THE BUILD-OUT OF
20 OTHER PROJECTS IN THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY THAT CAUSE A
21 GREATER BALANCE BETWEEN JOBS AND HOUSING TO OCCUR.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND YOU BELIEVE, BASED ON YOUR PROFESSIONAL
24 EXPERIENCE, THAT THIS TRAFFIC STUDY WHICH SAYS THAT 90% OF THE
25 MORNING PEAK TRIPS, THE A.M. PEAK TRIPS GENERATED IN THE SANTA



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1 CLARITA VALLEY WILL STAY WITHIN THE SANTA CLARITA AREA. THAT'S
2 YOUR BEST PROFESSIONAL JUDGMENT?

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4 **BARRY WITLER:** AGAIN THAT'S 90% OF DAILY TRIPS, IT'S SOMETHING
5 MORE THAN THAT IN THE MORNING.

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7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NOW I ASKED YOU THREE TIMES.

8

9 **BARRY WITLER:** OKAY I'M SORRY.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I ASKED YOU THREE TIMES, A.M. PEAK. NOW LET
12 ME ASK YOU AGAIN, MAYBE YOU DIDN'T UNDERSTAND, 'CAUSE I THINK
13 THERE'S A BIG DIFFERENCE BETWEEN DAILY -- AVERAGE DAILY TRIPS
14 AND PEAK TRIPS.

15

16 **BARRY WITLER:** CERTAINLY.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IN THE MORNING PEAK, WHAT PERCENTAGE -- YOU
19 SAID 10% OF THE TRIPS, CORRECT ME IF I'M WRONG, THAT 10% OF
20 THE DAILY TRIPS WILL BE IN THE A.M. PEAK, WHICH IT WOULD BE
21 ABOUT 33 TO 34,000 TRIPS IN THE MORNING, COMING FROM THIS NEW
22 DEVELOPMENT -- DEVELOPMENTS. RIGHT? AM I RIGHT SO FAR?

23

24 **BARRY WITLER:** IT'S CLOSE. I THINK IT'S SOMETHING A LITTLE BIT
25 GREATER THAN THAT, BUT --



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. 35,000 TRIPS, 40,000.

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4 **BARRY WITLER:** COULD BE 40.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. LET'S SAY IT'S 40,000 TRIPS, IN THE
7 MORNING PEAK. WHAT IS THE MORNING PEAK, IN THE SANTA CLARITA
8 VALLEY, IS IT 7:00 TO 9:00? 6:00 TO 8:30? WHAT IS IT?

9

10 **BARRY WITLER:** IT'S PROBABLY ABOUT 6:30 TO 9:00, THEREABOUTS.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** 6:30 TO 8, TO 9:00. OF THE 40,000 A.M. PEAK,
13 OF THE 40,000 TRIPS THAT WILL BE GENERATED BETWEEN 6:30 A.M.
14 AND 9:00 A.M. IN THAT VALLEY, SANTA CLARITA VALLEY, WHAT
15 PERCENTAGE OF THOSE 40,000 WILL STAY WITHIN THE SANTA CLARITA
16 VALLEY DURING THAT A.M. PEAK AND WHAT PERCENTAGE WILL GO
17 ELSEWHERE, TO VENTURA, TO L.A., TO BAKERSFIELD, WHEREVER?

18

19 **BARRY WITLER:** MY FEELING, AND I'D HAVE TO REVIEW THE NUMBERS,
20 IS THAT THE BREAKDOWN IS A LITTLE BIT GREATER THAN 10% OF
21 THOSE WOULD BE LEAVING THE VALLEY.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HOW LONG WOULD IT TAKE YOU TO REVIEW THOSE
24 NUMBERS? WOULD -- DURING THE HOUR OF THE PUBLIC HEARING, WOULD



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1 YOU BE ABLE TO REVIEW THEM AGAIN, IS THE STUDY AROUND HERE
2 SOMEWHERE?

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4 **BARRY WITLER:** I HAVE -- I DON'T HAVE IT WITH ME. I'D HAVE TO
5 SEE WHAT'S AVAILABLE.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT, IF YOU COULD PERHAPS DURING THE
8 PUBLIC HEARING TAKE A LOOK AND JUST REFRESH YOUR MEMORY ON
9 THAT. SO LET ME SAY ONE MORE -- ASK YOU ONE MORE TIME. DO YOU
10 BELIEVE IN YOUR PROFESSIONAL JUDGMENT THAT IT IS CREDIBLE THAT
11 BETWEEN 6:30 A.M. AND 9:00 A.M., THAT ALMOST 90% OF THE
12 VEHICULAR TRIPS GENERATED IN THE SPECIFIC PLAN AREA IN THE
13 SANTA CLARITA VALLEY IS NEVER GOING TO LEAVE THE SANTA CLARITA
14 VALLEY DURING THAT 2-1/2-HOUR PERIOD?

15

16 **BARRY WITLER:** WHEN WE LOOK AT THE BUILD-OUT CONDITION FOR
17 THIS, WE'RE TALKING ABOUT 20 YEARS FROM NOW, AND SO THE
18 PICTURE CHANGES QUITE A BIT FROM WHAT IT IS TODAY.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ON -- BASED ON WHAT ASSUMPTION?

21

22 **BARRY WITLER:** BASED ON HOW THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY IS
23 EXPECTED TO BUILD OUT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAND USE PLAN AND
24 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE NEWHALL RANCH SPECIFIC PLAN.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU KNOW, THE PROBLEM IS, THE PLAN IS A GOOD
2 PLAN.

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4 **BARRY WITLER:** SURE.

5
6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AS LONG -- IN TERMS OF PLANS, I WANTED TO
7 JUST MAKE IT -- JUST SAY THERE'S NO BETTER COMMUNITY PLAN
8 DEVELOPER IN THIS COUNTY THAN NEWHALL LAND, THEY DO A GREAT
9 JOB. THAT'S SEPARATE AND APART FROM WHETHER THIS IS THE RIGHT
10 THING OR NOT, BUT ONCE YOU DECIDE TO DO IT, THEY DO A GREAT
11 JOB. I'VE BEEN OUT THERE, I'VE TOURED THE PLACES, THEY'VE
12 THOUGHT IT THROUGH. THE TROUBLE IS, IT'S BEEN MY EXPERIENCE
13 OVER NEARLY THREE DECADES OF DOING THIS STUFF, IS THERE'S ONE
14 THING FOR WHICH YOU CAN'T PLAN, NO MATTER HOW SMART YOU ARE,
15 AND THAT'S HOW PEOPLE BEHAVE, WHERE PEOPLE ARE GOING TO GET
16 JOBS. YOU CAN'T PLAN. YOU CAN'T PREDICT. AND I WILL BET YOU
17 ONE THING, IF I HAD A RANCH, I'D BET YOU THE RANCH, MAYBE I'LL
18 BET YOU DAcono RANCH WHICH IS THE NEXT ONE TO GO, I BET YOU
19 ONE THING, THERE ISN'T A SNOWBALL'S CHANCE IN HELL THAT 90% OF
20 THE A.M. PEAK TRAFFIC GENERATED IN THIS AREA IS GOING TO STAY
21 IN THIS AREA, NOT A CHANCE IN HELL. JUST NOT POSSIBLE. [
22 APPLAUSE] .

23
24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THIS IS THE SAME THING -- THIS IS THE SAME
25 THING THEY SAID IN THE CONEJO VALLEY, JOBS HOUSING BALANCE.



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1 JOBS HOUSING BALANCE IS A GREAT CONCEPT EXCEPT FOR ONE THING.
2 THIS ISN'T RUSSIA, IT'S A FREE COUNTRY. YOU CAN LIVE IN
3 CALABASAS AND WORK IN DOWNTOWN, YOU CAN LIVE IN SANTA CLARITA
4 AND WORK IN WESTWOOD, OR EVEN FURTHER AWAY, AND THERE'S
5 NOTHING YOU OR I CAN DO ABOUT IT, BECAUSE IT'S A FREE COUNTRY.
6 AND IF, IF, OVER THE LAST 30 YEARS, 20 YEARS, SINCE WE'VE SEEN
7 SOME OF THIS SUBURBAN SPRAWL SUB-SUBURBAN DEVELOPMENT TAKE
8 PLACE, YOU WOULD HAVE THOUGHT THAT AT LEAST THERE'D BE SOME
9 INDICATION OF JOBS HOUSING BALANCE WAS A LEGITIMATE, VALID
10 THEORY, THAT SOMEWHERE IN THIS REGION, NOT JUST IN OUR COUNTY,
11 BUT IN THE 5-COUNTY AREA, THAT THERE WOULD BE SOME EVIDENCE OF
12 THIS. BUT, NO, ON THE CONTRARY, AS WE HAVE BUILT OUT FARTHER
13 AND FARTHER IN THE COUNTY AND INTO THE OTHER COUNTIES, PEOPLE
14 ARE TRAVELING LONGER AND LONGER DISTANCE TO GET INTO THE JOB-
15 RICH AREAS, AND PEOPLE TRAVEL FROM CALABASAS AND AGOURA HILLS,
16 AND THOUSAND OAKS, DOWN THE 101 CORRIDOR, AND THEY TRAVEL INTO
17 L.A. THEY DON'T EVEN STOP IN THE VALLEY, THEY DRIVE THROUGH
18 THE VALLEY, GOBBLING UP VALUABLE AND LIMITED TRANSPORTATION
19 CAPACITY. THEY'RE DOING THE SAME FROM THE NORTH COUNTY,
20 TRAVELING FROM THE NORTH REACHES DOWN THE 5 AND THE 405,
21 GOBBLING UP VALUABLE AND LIMITED CAPACITY THERE, HEADING FOR
22 POINTS FAR BEYOND THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. SO YOU DO HAVE
23 EVIDENCE THAT THIS JOBS HOUSING BALANCE THING JUST IS ON
24 PAPER, IT SOUNDS GOOD, BUT IN REALITY, IT JUST DOESN'T WORK,
25 AND IT VERY WELL MAY BE, AS WE HAVE SEEN IN THE WEST SIDE OF



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1 LOS ANGELES AND ELSEWHERE, IT VERY WELL MAY BE THAT THE 19,000
2 JOBS YOU'RE CREATING IN SANTA CLARITA AS A RESULT OF THIS
3 PLAN, IF THAT'S WHAT YOU CREATE, THAT THOSE JOBS WON'T BE FOR
4 SANTA CLARITA RESIDENTS, THERE MAY BE PEOPLE FROM LOS ANGELES
5 WHO GO OUT TO SANTA CLARITA FOR THOSE JOBS, AND THE SANTA
6 CLARITA RESIDENTS WILL GO INTO LOS ANGELES FOR THEIR JOBS,
7 GOBBLING UP TRANSPORTATION CAPACITY IN BOTH DIRECTIONS IN THE
8 A.M. AND P.M. PEAK. LAST QUESTION I WANT TO ASK YOU IS ON THE
9 P.M. PEAK. I ASSUME -- LET ME NOT ASSUME ANYTHING. IN THE P.M.
10 PEAK, ARE YOU -- WHAT IS THE PERCENTAGE OF THE AVERAGE DAILY
11 TRIPS EMANATING FROM THIS SPECIFIC PLAN AREA, WHAT PERCENTAGE
12 WILL BE IN THE P.M. PEAK?

13

14 **BARRY WITLER:** IT'S ALSO ROUGHLY THE SAME, AROUND 10 OR 12%.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ROUGHLY THE SAME, AND YOU'RE PROJECTING THAT
17 ROUGHLY THE SAME PERCENTAGE OF THAT 10% WILL STAY IN THE AREA
18 AND THE BALANCE WILL GO OUT OF THE AREA?

19

20 **BARRY WITLER:** RIGHT, AND I WILL CHECK WHAT THAT IS.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND LET ME UNDERSTAND THAT, YOU SAID THAT --
23 WHAT PERCENTAGE OF THOSE LEAVING THE AREA, WHAT PERCENTAGE ARE
24 GOING DOWN THE 5? ABOUT 90%?

25



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1 **BARRY WITLER:** ON A DAILY BASIS, OF THE 10% LEAVING THE AREA,
2 ABOUT 8-1/2% OF THOSE USE THE 5 AND THE 14, PREDOMINANTLY THE
3 5.

4
5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT'S ON A DAILY BASIS?

6
7 **BARRY WITLER:** ON A DAILY BASIS.

8
9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IT'S ON A -- AND ON A P.M. -- ON AN A.M.
10 PEAK BASIS OF THE 10% LEAVING THE AREA?

11
12 **BARRY WITLER:** THAT'S WHY -- I WOULD NEED TO REVIEW THAT.

13
14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO YOU DON'T KNOW -- JUST SO I UNDERSTAND
15 WHAT WE DON'T KNOW YET, WE HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO DETERMINE
16 HERE, AT LEAST IN THIS DISCUSSION, HOW MANY VEHICULAR TRIPS IN
17 THE A.M. PEAK WILL BE LEAVING SANTA CLARITA FOR OUTSIDE THE
18 SANTA CLARITA AREA. WHAT -- WE DON'T -- YOU HAVE TO REVIEW
19 THOSE FIGURES. RIGHT?

20
21 **BARRY WITLER:** YEAH. WE'VE LOOKED AT THOSE, BUT I CAN'T TELL
22 YOU OFF THE TOP OF MY HEAD.

23
24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU DON'T KNOW, IT'S FAIR ENOUGH, FAIR
25 ENOUGH, YOU'LL REVIEW THEM. BUT OF THOSE WHO LEAVE THE AREA,



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1 YOUR PROJECTION IS THAT THE OVERWHELMING MAJORITY ARE HEADING
2 DOWN THE 5 SOUTH?

3

4 **BARRY WITLER:** YES.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND WHAT PERCENTAGE WAS THAT AGAIN?

7

8 **BARRY WITLER:** OKAY, OF THE ONES WHO LEAVE THE AREA THAT WOULD
9 BE ABOUT 85%.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** 85% OF THOSE LEAVING THE AREA, WHATEVER THAT
12 NUMBER IS, ARE HEADING SOUTH DOWN THE 5.

13

14 **BARRY WITLER:** AND A FEW ARE GOING UP THE 14.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. THAT'S IT FOR NOW.

17

18 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ANY OTHER COMMENTS? WE'LL START CALLING THE
19 PEOPLE WHO HAVE INDICATED THEY'RE OPPOSED, AND WE'LL TAKE 30
20 MINUTES ON EACH SIDE. BRUCE CAMPBELL, CLARENCE FREEMAN, AND
21 LARRY KANNER.

22

23 **BRUCE CAMPBELL:** CHAIR BURKE, I HAVE A REQUEST THAT SOMEONE
24 TIME US SO WE KNOW WHEN THE THREE MINUTES IS UP TO GET ALL OF
25 OUR COMMENTS IN.



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2 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SHE'LL TIME YOU.

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4 **BRUCE CAMPBELL:** THANK YOU.

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6 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** BUT SHE'S NOT -- UNFORTUNATELY WHEN THE
7 LIGHT COMES ON, IT'S THE THREE MINUTES.

8

9 **BRUCE CAMPBELL:** AH. FINE. MY NAME'S BRUCE CAMPBELL. I LIVE IN
10 BRENTWOOD, AND GOOD AFTERNOON, HONORABLE CHAIR AND
11 SUPERVISORS. I URGE YOU TO REJECT CERTIFICATION OF THE FINAL
12 E.I.R. PERTAINING TO THE MASSIVE NEWHALL RANCH DEVELOPMENT'S
13 SPECIFIC PLAN AND WATER RECLAMATION PLAN AND FINAL ADDITIONAL
14 ANALYSIS OF SPECIFIC ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES. THIS IS A MASSIVE
15 DEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL IN ONE OF THE MOST SENSITIVE ECOLOGICAL
16 AREAS OF THE COUNTY. THE SANTA CLARA RIVER IS AN UNDAMMED
17 JEWEL, THOUGH IT IS BURDENED BY PESTICIDES DOWNSTREAM IN THE
18 OXNARD PLANE AREA, AND THE FLOODPLAIN MUST NOT BE BUILT ON
19 WHILE DEVELOPMENT IN THE WATERSHED MUST BE LIMITED. NEWHALL
20 LAND AND FARMING COMPANY NOT ONLY HAS AN OVERLY LARGE
21 DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR AN INAPPROPRIATE LOCATION, BUT HAS DONE
22 POORLY IN ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES AND SURVEYS, NOT JUST POOR
23 STUDIES, BUT ALSO CRIMINAL ACTIVITY BY ENCOURAGING GRAZING IN
24 THE VICINITY OF THE RARE SPINE FLOWER. CALIFORNIA RED LEGGED
25 FROGS ARE IN THE VICINITY, DESPITE CLAIMS BY THE COMPANY'S



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1 HACKS, AMPHIBIANS ARE NOT DOING WELL GLOBALLY WHILE THE
2 CALIFORNIA RED LEGGED FROG IS IN ESPECIALLY BAD SHAPE. THERE
3 ARE ALSO INADEQUATE MITIGATIONS REGARDING THE ARROYO TOAD.
4 THIS IS ALSO -- THIS IS ALSO A VITAL AREA CONNECTING THE SAN
5 GABRIEL MOUNTAINS INTO THE SANTA -- SUZANNA MOUNTAINS AND INTO
6 THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS AS FAR AS WILDLIFE HABITAT AND
7 CORRIDORS. THE MAN GIVING THE BENEDICTION TODAY SAID THAT YOU
8 SUPERVISORS HAVE, QUOTE, "AN AWESOME RESPONSIBILITY TO THE
9 PEOPLE THEY REPRESENT AND TO YOU," END QUOTE, "YOU" MEANING
10 GOD. I WOULD SURMISE THAT BOTH BASIC CONSTITUENTS IN THE FIFTH
11 DISTRICT, CONSTITUENTS IN OTHER DISTRICTS, AND GOD WOULD WANT
12 YOU TO PROCEED IN BALANCE ON MOTHER EARTH RATHER THAN APPROVE
13 A MASSIVE SPRAWLING PLAN IN VERY SENSITIVE HABITAT. I BELIEVE
14 THAT TRAFFIC PATTERNS WILL BE SEVERELY NEGATIVELY IMPACTED
15 OVER A WIDE AREA, EVEN IN PLACES LIKE SANTA BARBARA, PALMDALE,
16 GLENDALE, PASADENA, AND DOWN TO THE L.A.X. AREA AS WELL. A
17 SIZABLE HIGHWAY TO NEWHALL RANCH WOULD BE THE DEATH NELL FOR
18 WHAT IS NOW LARGELY FARMING COMMUNITIES IN EASTERN --
19 NORTHEASTERN VENTURA COUNTY, WHICH IS ONE REASON OUR
20 NEIGHBORING COUNTY IS STRONGLY OPPOSING THIS PROJECT. PLEASE
21 REJECT THE FINAL E.I.R. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

22

23 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

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1 **CLARENCE FREEMAN:** MY NAME IS CLARENCE FREEMAN, I'M A RETIRED
2 ENGINEER. I'M A LIFE MEMBER OF THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF CIVIL
3 ENGINEERS. I'VE BEEN AN ENGINEER FOR 65 YEARS AND I'M 87 YEARS
4 OLD. AS YOU'RE AWARE, THE NEWHALL RANCH PROJECT IS SUPPOSED TO
5 BE BUILT ON SOME OF THE MOST SEISMIC-CHALLENGED LAND IN THE
6 GREATER LOS ANGELES REGION. THIS LETTER REQUESTS A DELAY IN
7 APPROVAL OF THE PROJECT OF AT LEAST 30 DAYS FOR THE FOLLOWING
8 REASONS. ON MARCH 25TH, I TESTIFIED IN FRONT OF THIS SAME
9 BOARD AND I HANDED IN THE RESULTS OF THE LATEST EARTHQUAKE --
10 SEISMIC HAZARDS MAPPING ACT OF 1991. IT WAS THE VAL VERDE
11 QUADRANGLE. ON THE VAL VERDE QUADRANGLE WHICH HOLDS ABOUT 85%
12 OF THE NEWHALL RANCH PROJECT, IT SHOWS THAT THERE'S POTENTIAL
13 FOR LIQUEFACTION FROM STRONG GROUND SHAKING OR EARTHQUAKE
14 SEISMIC INDUCED LANDSLIDES, AND IT COVERS PRACTICALLY A
15 HUNDRED PERCENT OF THE AREA. DUE TO THE FACT THAT THE LATEST
16 MAP, THE VAL VERDE QUADRANGLE, CAME OUT ON DECEMBER 20TH,
17 2002, IT COULD NOT HAVE BEEN USED IN THE PLANNING WHICH
18 STARTED PERHAPS IN 1994, AND IN MY OPINION, IT WAS NOT
19 PROPERLY USED TO DETERMINE HOW SUCH A PROJECT SHOULD BE
20 DESIGNED IN SEISMICALLY UNSTABLE AREA. AND TO CONCLUDE SO THAT
21 I DON'T GO OVER THREE MINUTES, ALSO IN THE KAREN MCGEE SUIT BY
22 NEWHALL RANCH ABOUT CLEANING UP THE PATRERO OIL FIELD, THERE
23 WAS A REDACTION OF GEOLOGIC REPORTS. THESE GEOLOGIC REPORTS
24 WERE NOT GIVEN OUT TO THE PUBLIC. THE ADDITION OF THE NEW
25 SEISMIC HAZARDS MAPPING ACT VAL VERDE QUADRANGLE, COMBINED



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1 WITH THE RELEASE OF THE REDACTED GEOLOGICAL MATERIAL WILL ACT
2 TO MAKE THE APPROVAL PROCESS MORE TRANSPARENT AND FAIRER. A
3 DELAY OF 30 DAYS IS RESPECTFULLY REQUESTED, ALLOWING APPROVAL
4 OF THE PROJECT TO GO FORWARD WITHOUT USING THE BEST GEOLOGIC
5 KNOWLEDGE OF THE SITE IS BAD PUBLIC POLICY AND CONSIDERING THE
6 SEISMIC VULNERABILITY OF THE REGION REFLECTS UNFAVORABLE ON
7 THE APPROVAL PROCESS. ALL NEW GEOLOGIC MATERIAL AND ALL
8 GEOLOGIC REPORTS ASSISTING A PROPER APPRAISAL OF THE SITE
9 SHOULD BE MADE AVAILABLE TO ALL, AND I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS
10 LETTER I WROTE IS IN YOUR HANDS, BUT I HAVE FIVE MORE COPIES
11 AND I WOULD LIKE TO DISTRIBUTE THEM AND --

12
13 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

14
15 **LARRY KANNER:** YEAH, MY NAME IS LARRY KANNER, AND I'LL BE VERY
16 BRIEF. I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT THE PAST THREE OR FOUR YEARS,
17 I'VE REALLY ENJOYED LEARNING ABOUT ALL THE WILDLIFE THAT WE
18 HAVE SO NEAR US IN THE SANTA CLARITA AREA AND IT'S REALLY BEEN
19 AN EDUCATION TO LEARN HOW MUCH OF IT IS IN DANGER, AND, YOU
20 KNOW, WHEN I TALK TO BIOLOGISTS, I SEEM TO GET A DIFFERENT
21 STORY OF WHAT THE -- YOU KNOW, IN LOOKING AT THE WAY THE
22 CONSULTANTS HAVE BEEN HIRED BY NEWHALL RANCH AND, YOU KNOW, I
23 JUST DON'T THINK THEY'VE GIVEN IT A FAIR SHAKE, SO THANK YOU.



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1 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE'LL NOW CALL UP CLARENCE
2 FREEMAN.

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4 **CLARENCE FREEMAN:** YES.

5

6 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** OH YOU'VE -- I'VE ALREADY CALLED YOU YES.

7

8 **CLARENCE FREEMAN:** DO YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS?

9

10 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** NO THAT'S FINE. LARRY KANNER, AND LARRY
11 SMITH. AND LARRY SMITH, THEY'VE ALREADY SPOKEN. BARBARA
12 WAMPOLE. LYNN PLAMBECK. I DIDN'T GIVE YOU THE FIRST THREE THEN
13 RIGHT?

14

15 **LYNN PLAMBECK:** SUPERVISOR BURKE, WE WERE WONDERING IF SOME OF
16 THE SPEAKERS COULD SPEAK BEFORE MYSELF AND BARBARA BECAUSE WE
17 WANTED TO REALLY ENSURE THAT THEY HAD A CHANCE TO COME AND
18 SPEAK, AND THOSE WOULD BE --

19

20 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SURE, GIVE ME THEIR NAMES.

21

22 **LYNN PLAMBECK:** JOHN BUSE AND JOHN QUIGLEY.

23

24 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SURE. OKAY. I DON'T HAVE -- OKAY. SURELY.
25 THEY'RE GOING TO SPEAK NOW.



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2 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** JUST STATE YOUR NAMES AS YOU COME UP
3 BECAUSE I DON'T HAVE ANY OTHER NAMES OTHER THAN THOSE THAT
4 WE'VE CALLED NOW EXCEPT FOR JOHANNA ZETTERBERG.

5

6 **LARRY SMITH:** OKAY. MY NAME IS LARRY SMITH. THANK YOU,
7 CHAIRPERSON BURKE.

8

9 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WE CALLED YOU. ALL RIGHT. AND JIM STEWART.
10 ALL RIGHT. WE'LL CALL YOU IN A FEW MINUTES. AND JOHANNA
11 ZETTENBERG. ALL RIGHT. WE'LL CALL YOU NEXT.

12

13 **LARRY SMITH:** OKAY. THANK YOU AGAIN, CHAIRPERSON BURKE AND
14 FELLOW SUPERVISORS FOR ALLOWING ME TO SPEAK TODAY. I'M HERE TO
15 VOICE MY CONCERN ABOUT THIS, AND I THINK, AFTER HEARING
16 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY SPEAK, HE BASICALLY TOOK THE WORDS OUT
17 OF MY MOUTH. I THINK ONE OF THE BIGGEST PROBLEMS IS THE
18 TRAFFIC IMPACT THAT THIS IS GOING TO HAVE. LOS ANGELES IS
19 BUILT OUT. WE ARE -- OUR POPULATION IS EXPLODING. WE COULD
20 SHUT THE GATES TODAY AND NOT ALLOW ANYONE ELSE TO MOVE IN, BUT
21 THAT WOULD STILL NOT STOP THE GROWTH OF THE POPULATION. WE
22 NEED DESPERATELY TO BUILD OUR MULTI-MODAL TRANSPORTATION
23 SYSTEM TO GET PEOPLE BACK AND FORTH, BECAUSE, YOU KNOW, JUST
24 BECAUSE YOU DO LIVE IN SOME PLACE, AS SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY
25 SAID, THAT DOESN'T MEAN YOU'RE GOING TO STAY THERE ALL THE



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1 TIME OR THAT DOESN'T MEAN YOU'RE GOING TO WORK IN THAT
2 LOCATION. THE WAY THE CITY IS BUILT, THAT'S JUST THE NATURE OF
3 THE GAME HERE. SO I -- IT LOOKS SERIOUSLY LIKE THE TRAFFIC HAS
4 NOT BEEN ADDRESSED PROPERLY, AND I WOULD VOTE AGAINST THIS
5 PROJECT NOW.

6

7 **JOHN BUSE:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS JOHN BUSE, I'M A
8 STAFF ATTORNEY AT THE ENVIRONMENT DEFENSE CENTER, I THINK --
9 DID YOU LOCATE MY SLIP?

10

11 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** YES.

12

13 **JOHN BUSE:** OKAY VERY GOOD. I ALSO HAVE SOME WRITTEN COMMENTS
14 TO HAND IN. MY NAME IS JOHN BUSE, ENVIRONMENTAL DEFENSE
15 CENTER. I'M REPRESENTING THE ENVIRONMENTAL PETITIONERS WHO
16 CHALLENGED THE PROJECT BACK IN APRIL OF 2000. WE'VE MADE OUR
17 DISAGREEMENTS WITH THE COUNTY'S RESPONSE TO THE COURT'S
18 DIRECTION IN THAT LAWSUIT CLEAR, AND THESE OBJECTIONS STAND
19 TODAY. TODAY I WANT TO FOCUS ON THE ISSUE OF THE SUPPORTING
20 DOCUMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN MADE AVAILABLE AND ON THE SPINE
21 FLOWER PRESERVE ISSUE. I WANT TO THANK THE SUPERVISORS FOR THE
22 PROCESS THAT'S MADE THE SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION TO THE
23 ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW FOR NEWHALL RANCH AVAILABLE. IT IS
24 REMARKABLE, HOWEVER, THAT THE PLANNING STAFF HAS, IN THE THREE
25 WEEKS THAT THE DOCUMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE AVAILABLE, THE



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1 PLANNING STAFF HAS BEEN ABLE TO REVIEW ALL 43 BOXES AND
2 CONCLUDE THAT THERE HAS BEEN FULL DISCLOSURE OF ALL
3 ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION. THIS CONCLUSION IS PARTICULARLY
4 REMARKABLE BECAUSE OUR EXPERIENCE WITH THE LIMITED SET OF
5 BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS HAS LED US TO A VERY
6 DIFFERENT CONCLUSION. IN PARTICULAR, WE HAVE NOTED THAT THERE
7 ARE MISSING FIELD NOTES FROM BIOLOGICAL SURVEYS AND EVIDENCE
8 THAT THE APPLICANT KNEW OR SHOULD HAVE KNOWN OF THE PRESENCE
9 OF THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY SPINE FLOWER AS EARLY AS 1995, AND
10 CERTAINLY PRIOR TO PREPARATION OF THE DRAFT ADDITIONAL
11 ANALYSIS IN 2001. RATHER THAN FULL AND ACCURATE DISCLOSURE OF
12 ALL ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES, THE NEW INFORMATION DOCUMENTS A
13 FAILURE OF THE SEQUA PROCESS. WHEN INFORMATION ON THE SPINE
14 FLOWER BECAME AVAILABLE, THIS INFORMATION WAS NOT DISCLOSED IN
15 THE DRAFTED ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS. INSTEAD, IT APPEARS THAT
16 SPINE FLOWER SURVEYS WERE USED AS A ROAD MAP FOR THE KNOWING
17 AND DELIBERATE DESTRUCTION OF SPINE FLOWER POPULATIONS UNDER
18 THE GUISE OF AGRICULTURAL OPERATIONS. INSTEAD OF FULL
19 DISCLOSURE THE DOCUMENTS PORTRAY A TAINTED PROCESS AS FAR AS
20 THE SPINE FLOWER IS CONCERNED. WHETHER THIS TAINT CONTINUES TO
21 OTHER POTENTIAL PROJECT IMPACTS, I CAN'T SAY AT THIS POINT
22 GIVEN THE BRIEF TIME WE'VE HAD TO REVIEW THE DOCUMENTS. I
23 SUGGEST TWO POTENTIAL REMEDIES TO REMOVE THIS TAINT. FIRST,
24 PROVIDE ADDITIONAL TIME TO REVIEW THE SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS,
25 NOT FOR THE PURPOSE OF DELAY, BUT TO ENSURE A CLEAN PROCESS.



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1 SECONDLY, REQUIRE WHAT THE APPLICANT HAS SPECIFICALLY DECLINED
2 TO DO SO FAR, THAT THE APPLICANT WAIVE ALL CONSULTANT
3 CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENTS RELATING TO NEWHALL RANCH. THE
4 SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS DO NOT SPEAK FOR THEMSELVES. FULL
5 DISCLOSURE DICTATES THAT CONSULTANTS BE QUERIED AND THAT THEY
6 ANSWER FREELY ABOUT BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES AND ABOUT PROJECT
7 IMPACTS. AS FOR THE SPINE FLOWER PRESERVE, WE APPRECIATE THE
8 ATTENTION THAT HAS -- THAT THE SPINE FLOWER HAS ATTRACTED.
9 UNLIKE OTHER MORE MOBILE SPECIES, THERE HAS AT LEAST BEEN AN
10 EFFORT TO DEAL WITH THE SPINE FLOWER PRESERVE DESIGN AT THE
11 SPECIFIC PLAN LEVEL. UNFORTUNATELY, THE 64-ACRE SPINE FLOWER
12 PRESERVES ARE A PRODUCT OF A POLITICAL COMPROMISE AND A
13 CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION. THEY ARE BIOLOGICALLY INDEFENSIBLE, A
14 POINT CONFIRMED BY QUALIFIED BIOLOGISTS, BOTANISTS, PLANNERS
15 AND THE CALIFORNIA NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY. BIOLOGICALLY
16 DEFENSIBLE PRESERVES SHOULD BE REQUIRED PRIOR TO PROJECT
17 APPROVAL, AND SO FAR THAT HAS NOT BEEN DONE, NOT ENOUGH HAS
18 BEEN DONE FOR THE SPINE FLOWER AND OTHER SPECIES. FINALLY, TO
19 CALL THIS PROJECT SMART GROWTH, SOLELY AS THE TERM, SMART
20 GROWTH, WHATEVER REMAINING DIGNITY THAT TERM HAS SHOULD BE
21 PRESERVED, AND BY CALLING IT SOMETHING ELSE. THANK YOU FOR MY
22 COMMENTS AND --

23
24 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. YES. STATE YOUR NAME.



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1 **JOHN QUIGLEY:** MY NAME IS JOHN QUIGLEY. I'M HERE AS A CONCERNED
2 CITIZEN OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. GREETINGS TO THE SUPERVISORS. I
3 ACTUALLY HAVE A TERM I'VE COME UP WITH FOR WHAT THIS
4 DEVELOPMENT IS REALLY ABOUT. I THINK WE SHOULD CALL IT
5 DINOSAUR DEVELOPMENT, BECAUSE IT REPRESENTS AN OUTMODED
6 THINKING ABOUT HOW WE DEVELOP IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. IT DOES
7 NOT TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE FACT THAT WE'RE REACHING THE LIMITS
8 OF OUR PRECIOUS NATURAL HERITAGE IN THIS COUNTY, AND ALSO WHAT
9 IT'S DOING IS IT'S DRAINING RESOURCES THAT COULD GO TO
10 REDEVELOP OUR INNER CITY, WHICH IS DESPERATELY NEEDED. NOW I
11 SPEAK FROM FIRSTHAND KNOWLEDGE OF THE PRESSURES THAT THIS
12 DEVELOPMENT IS PUTTING UPON THE LANDSCAPE UP IN SANTA CLARITA
13 VALLEY, HAVING LIVED IN THE OLD GLORY OAK TREE FOR A COUPLE
14 MONTHS BACK OVER THE WINTER. I KNOW THAT THE PRESSURES TO
15 EXPAND ROADS AND TO DESTROY PRECIOUS OAKS WILL GROW BY YOU
16 APPROVING THIS TODAY. AND AGAIN, WHAT IT WILL BRING, AS MANY
17 OF THESE SPEAKERS HAVE TALKED ABOUT, IS MORE TRAFFIC, MORE
18 POLLUTION. THAT POLLUTION WILL LEAD TO GREATER RISKS TO OUR
19 CHILDREN'S HEALTH THROUGH ASTHMA AND THE PARTICULATES IN THE
20 AIR, AND WHAT CONCERNS ME IS WHAT APPEARS TO BE A RUSH TO
21 APPROVE THIS WHEN IT'S SUCH A MASSIVE PROJECT. I MEAN, AND IT
22 DEFIES LOGIC THAT A BOARD THAT WOULD SUE THE COUNTY OF VENTURA
23 OVER AHMANSON RANCH, WHICH IS ONE SIXTH THE SIZE OF THIS,
24 WOULD BE IN SUCH A HURRY TO RUSH THIS THROUGH. NOW CLEARLY,
25 BALANCED MINDS WITH ENOUGH TIME TO REVIEW ALL THE



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1 DOCUMENTATION, AND THERE'S STILL SERIOUS QUESTIONS ABOUT THE
2 E.I.R., COULD FIND A WAY TO A REASONABLE SOLUTION, BUT NOT ONE
3 WHERE A DEVELOPMENT IS GOING TO THREATEN OUR CHILDREN'S
4 HEALTH, GOING TO INCREASE TRAFFIC AND INCREASE POLLUTION BY
5 SUCH A MAGNITUDE THAT THIS BOARD SHOULD TAKE IT LIGHTLY ENOUGH
6 TO VOTE ON IT TODAY. I REALLY -- I ADVOCATE THAT WE TAKE SOME
7 MORE TIME AND HAVE THE COURAGE TO RESIST THIS SEDUCTIVE LURE
8 OF A POWERFUL DEVELOPER THAT'S IN A HURRY TO GET THEIR JOB
9 DONE. I THINK IN THE LONG RUN, ALL OF THE PUBLIC SERVANTS IN
10 THIS ROOM WILL BE BEST SERVED BY DUE PROCESS AND MAKING IT
11 WORK FOR THE COMMON GOOD, WHICH IS, I BELIEVE, WHAT ALL OF US
12 ARE HERE TO DO. THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MAY I JUST ASK ONE QUESTION, MR. QUIGLEY?
15 APPROXIMATELY HOW LONG DO YOU THINK WE SHOULD TAKE ON THIS
16 MATTER? HOW LONG SHOULD IT BE PENDING BEFORE THIS BOARD?

17

18 **JOHN QUIGLEY:** WELL, THE CONCERNS THAT I'VE HEARD --

19

20 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** JUST, NO, NOT THE CONCERNS. HOW LONG DO YOU
21 THINK THAT WE SHOULD TAKE TO WORK ON THIS?

22

23 **JOHN QUIGLEY:** I WELL --

24



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1 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** HOW LONG DO YOU THINK WE SHOULD WAIT BEFORE
2 WE VOTE ON IT? HOW LONG DO YOU THINK IT SHOULD TAKE?

3

4 **JOHN QUIGLEY:** I THINK 'TIL THE MAJOR QUESTIONS HAVE BEEN
5 ANSWERED IN DETAIL --

6

7 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WELL YOU'RE SAYING WE'RE RUSHING. I'M JUST
8 TRYING TO FIGURE OUT HOW LONG WE SHOULD ALLOCATE TO HEAR THIS.

9

10 **JOHN QUIGLEY:** WELL, I CAN'T GIVE YOU A DATE BUT HERE'S --

11

12 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SHOULD IT BE FIVE YEARS? SHOULD BE IT THREE
13 YEARS, FIVE YEARS, SEVEN YEARS? HOW LONG DO YOU THINK?

14

15 **JOHN QUIGLEY:** NO I WOULD SAY UNTIL EVERY MAJOR QUESTION IN THE
16 E.I.R. IS ANSWERED IN DETAIL SO YOU DON'T RUN INTO A SITUATION
17 DOWN THE ROAD WHERE THE MASTER PLAN HAS BEEN APPROVED AND YOU
18 RUN INTO ANOTHER OLD GLORY AND IT COMES UP FOR DESTRUCTION,
19 EVEN THOUGH THE COMMUNITY DOESN'T WANT IT TO BE DESTROYED, AND
20 THEN YOU SAY, "WELL, WE ALREADY APPROVED THE E.I.R. AND SO WE
21 HAVE TO GO FORWARD WITH IT." THAT'S THE KIND OF SITUATION WE
22 WANT TO AVOID.

23

24 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I JUST, YOU KNOW, INDICATED WE WERE
25 RUSHING, AND I JUST WONDERED HOW MANY YEARS WE SHOULD SPEND ON



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1 IT TO -- AND WE -- IF THERE'S SOME OTHER ISSUES, I'M SURE THAT
2 THEY SHOULD BE LOOKED AT.

3

4 **JOHN QUIGLEY:** WELL CLEARLY, A FEW WEEKS TO GO THROUGH ALL OF
5 THOSE DOCUMENTS IS NOT ENOUGH, CERTAINLY FROM THE
6 ENVIRONMENTAL PERSPECTIVE, TO GO THROUGH ALL THOSE BOXES OF
7 DOCUMENTS, TO HAVE A THOROUGH READING OF ALL OF THOSE AND TO
8 CHECK ALL THE FACTS.

9

10 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** HOW LONG HAS THIS BEEN PENDING NOW? HOW
11 LONG HAS THIS BEEN BEFORE US?

12

13 **LEE STARK:** IT WAS BROUGHT BEFORE THE BOARD IN 1998 AND --

14

15 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SO IT'S JUST FIVE YEARS NOW.

16

17 **JOHN QUIGLEY:** YES, BUT THE RECENT DEVELOPMENTS WITH THE SPINE
18 FLOWER AND THE SITUATION WITH THE E.I.R. OF NEWHALL RANCH IS
19 RELATIVELY NEW WITHIN THE LAST FEW MONTHS. IF THAT'S THE
20 SITUATION WE'RE TALKING ABOUT.

21

22 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I THINK THAT SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY IS
23 GOING TO ADDRESS THE SPINE FLOWER, AREN'T YOU? NO.

24

25 **JOHN QUIGLEY:** THE TOAD.



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2 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THE TOAD, OKAY. I THOUGHT -- WHO IS
3 ADDRESSING THE SPINE FLOWER? OH, GLORIA'S GOING TO ADDRESS THE
4 SPINE FLOWER, OKAY.

5

6 **JOHN QUIGLEY:** IN A FINAL ANSWER TO YOUR QUESTION, I'D SAY AS
7 LONG AS IT TAKES, MA'AM, AS LONG AS IT TAKES.

8

9 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, THANK YOU, THANK YOU, ALL RIGHT.

10

11 **JOHN QUIGLEY:** THANK YOU.

12

13 **LYNN PLAMBECK:** MY NAME IS LYNN PLAMBECK --

14

15 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** AND COULD WE ASK -- NOW, WE HAVE ONE OTHER
16 PERSON WHO WE CALLED, WE CALLED JOHANNA ZETTERBERG, WOULD YOU
17 PLEASE COME UP? JIM STEWART HAS -- HE'S RIGHT HERE. ALL RIGHT.
18 OKAY.

19

20 **LYNN PLAMBECK:** AND I'M LYNN PLAMBECK, DID YOU WANT ME TO GO
21 AHEAD NOW?

22

23 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SURELY, YOU GO RIGHT AHEAD, AND NOW, HAVE
24 WE HEARD FROM JOHN BUSE?

25



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1 **LYNN PLAMBECK:** YES, JOHN BUSE WAS THE ATTORNEY.

2

3 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** HE WAS ONE OF THE PEOPLE WHO CAME OUT OF
4 ORDER, OKAY, FINE, THANK YOU.

5

6 **LYNN PLAMBECK:** OKAY I HAVE COMMENTS TO SUBMIT FOR MYSELF AND
7 ANOTHER BOARD MEMBER OF NEWHALL COUNTY WATER DISTRICT, IT'S AN
8 EVALUATION, A MINORITY EVALUATION OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY
9 WATER REPORT TO TURN IN. AND THEN I ALSO HAVE COMMENTS FOR
10 SANTA CLARITA ORGANIZATION FOR PLANNING AND THE ENVIRONMENT.
11 AND SUPERVISOR BURKE, I WOULD JUST LIKE TO QUICKLY SAY THAT
12 HAVING BEEN DOWN HERE TRYING TO LOOK AT THOSE DOCUMENTS, WE
13 HAD EXACTLY 15 WORKING DAYS. 15 WORKING DAYS TO GO THROUGH ALL
14 THOSE BOXES OF DOCUMENTS, NOW, I'M NOT A BIOLOGIST, SO I HAD
15 TO GO DOWN THERE AND SEE WHAT IT WAS THAT WAS THERE THAT
16 NEEDED TO BE COPIED FOR THE BIOLOGIST, BUT OBVIOUSLY WE HAVE
17 NOT HAD A CHANCE TO HAVE ANY OF OUR EXPERTS EXAMINE THEM AND
18 GET BACK TO YOU, WE CAN'T DO THAT IN 15 WORKING DAYS. AND SO
19 WHAT YOU HAVE BASICALLY IS YOUR STAFF AND NO OUTSIDE INPUT
20 FROM OTHER EXPERTS THAT MIGHT HAVE DIFFERENT VIEWS, AND I
21 PERSONALLY HAVE A LOT OF QUESTIONS FROM GOING THROUGH THOSE
22 BOXES. FOR INSTANCE, I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHY THERE IS A
23 BIOLOGIST FIELD NOTE ENTITLED "CASTAIC BORROW SITE" WHEN THE
24 COUNTY WAS UNDER ORDERS TO NOT DO ANY GRADING IN THE AREA. I
25 REALLY THINK THAT THE SUPERVISORS OUGHT TO ANSWER THAT,



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1 BECAUSE IT SEEMS TO ME THAT'S A CONTEMPT OF COURT ISSUE. I
2 DON'T KNOW IF YOU REALIZE THE EXTENT OF THE OPPOSITION,
3 BECAUSE AS WE WENT THROUGH THE RESPONSE TO COMMENT LETTERS, WE
4 REALIZED THAT OVER 2500 LETTERS HAD BEEN SENT TO YOU AND THEY
5 WERE A SAMPLE OF JUST ONE LETTER WAS PUT IN THERE. THOSE WERE
6 ALL INDIVIDUALLY MAILED, THEY WERE ADDRESSED TO THE
7 SUPERVISORS AND THEY WERE FROM DIFFERENT PEOPLE WITH THEIR
8 ADDRESSES ON IT, AND I WAS SORRY TO HEAR THAT THE BOARD SEEMED
9 TO HAVE NO KNOWLEDGE THAT THERE WAS THAT MUCH INDIVIDUAL
10 OPPOSITION TO THIS PROJECT. WE DIDN'T TRY TO GET BUS LOADS OF
11 PEOPLE DOWN HERE BECAUSE WE DON'T REALLY THINK THAT'S AN
12 EFFICIENT WAY TO COMMUNICATE WITH YOU. IT'S BETTER FOR US TO
13 USE OUR TIME TO TRY TO GIVE YOU SOME REALLY CRITICAL INPUT,
14 THE INFORMATION THAT CAN HELP YOU. BUT WE, TOO, HAVE ASKED FOR
15 ADDITIONAL TIME BECAUSE 15 DAYS TO GO THROUGH THOSE BOXES OF
16 DOCUMENTS, WHICH WERE NOT AVAILABLE TO US UNTIL MAY 5TH, IS
17 NOT AN ADEQUATE AMOUNT OF TIME. I JUST WANT TO CLOSE BY SAYING
18 THAT WE STILL DON'T UNDERSTAND HOW THE S.E.A. IS CONSISTENT
19 WITH GENERAL PLAN REQUIREMENTS AND ALTHOUGH THERE ARE
20 STATEMENTS MADE THAT THE S.E.A. AREA HAS BEEN INCREASED,
21 THERE'S NO HOUSING THAT'S BEEN REMOVED BECAUSE OF THAT. SO IF
22 THE S.E.A. HAS BEEN INCREASED, HOW CAN THERE STILL -- IF YOU
23 LOOK AT THE RED LINE ON THOSE MAPS AND THE STAFF REPORT,
24 THERE'S STILL ALL SORTS OF HOUSING IN THERE, SO I DON'T KNOW



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1 HOW THAT MAKES IT CONSISTENT WITH THE GENERAL PLAN, AND THAT'S
2 MY CLOSING COMMENT. THANK YOU.

3

4 **JIM STEWART:** I'M JIM STEWART, ORGANIZING DIRECTOR OF EARTH DAY
5 LOS ANGELES, AND REPRESENTING DOZENS OF ENVIRONMENTAL
6 ORGANIZATIONS ACROSS THIS COUNTY THAT ARE OPPOSED TO THIS
7 PROJECT. WE'RE OPPOSED BECAUSE IT'S URBAN SPRAWL. ZEV WAS
8 ASKING EXACTLY THE RIGHT QUESTIONS. YOU -- ALL OF YOU
9 SUPERVISORS ARE ON THE M.T.A. BOARD AND YOU KNOW THE KIND OF
10 TROUBLE YOU JUST HAD IN THIS PAST MONTH TRYING TO EXPAND THE
11 710 AND THE 101. IT'S NOT POSSIBLE. YOU'RE NOT GOING TO BE
12 ABLE TO EXPAND THE 405 AND THE 5 TO ACCOMMODATE THE TENS OF
13 THOUSANDS OF DAILY TRIPS THAT ARE GOING TO BE POURED ON TO THE
14 FREEWAYS BY THIS PROJECT. I ALSO ASK YOU TO DELAY THIS PROJECT
15 UNTIL THERE IS A TRAFFIC PLAN THAT WILL ACCOMMODATE THIS KIND
16 OF HUGE AMOUNT OF TRIPS. THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

19

20 **JOHANNA ZETTERBERG:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS JOHANNA
21 ZETTERBERG. THANK YOU FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK. I AM
22 CONSERVATION PROGRAM COORDINATOR FOR L.A. COUNTY FOR THE
23 SIERRA CLUB ANGELES CHAPTER, REPRESENTING L.A. AND ORANGE
24 COUNTY'S 57,000 MEMBERS IN OUR CHAPTER. I HAVE SOME CARDS HERE
25 TO TURN INTO YOU. THERE ARE OVER A THOUSAND OF THESE CARDS.



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1 YOU CAN SEE THESE TWO STACKS HERE. THEY READ, "DEAR BOARD OF
2 SUPERVISORS, I OPPOSE THE NEWHALL RANCH PROJECT BECAUSE OF ITS
3 NEGATIVE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS UPON THE LAST MAJOR WILD RIVER
4 IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, THE SANTA CLARA RIVER, AND ON THE
5 ENDANGERED SPECIES," SOME OF WHICH YOU CAN SEE BEHIND ME, "IN
6 THE PROJECT AREA. PLEASE VOTE "NO" AGAINST THIS PROJECT." I'LL
7 ALSO JUST READ A FEW PERSONAL COMMENTS THAT PEOPLE HAVE
8 WRITTEN. "PLEASE THINK OF THE FUTURE," AND "I VOTE EVERY
9 ELECTION," "I'M A FORMER RESIDENT OF CANYON COUNTRY AND THE
10 TRAFFIC THERE IS TOO CONGESTED NOW, DO NOT ADD 20,000 MORE
11 HOMES." THEY ARE DESTROYING THIS VALLEY." "PLEASE CONSIDER THE
12 IMPORTANCE OF MAINTAINING OPEN SPACE, STOP URBAN SPRAWL," ET
13 CETERA. YOU KNOW THE ISSUES. DURING THE LAST MEETING HERE IN
14 MARCH YOU OPENED UP PREVIOUSLY CONFIDENTIAL DOCUMENTS ON THE
15 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF THIS PROJECT PREPARED BY NEWHALL'S
16 CONSULTANTS FOR PUBLIC REVIEW. I COMMEND YOU FOR THIS
17 DECISION, BUT AS MANY OF MY COLLEAGUES HERE HAVE SAID, THOSE
18 DOCUMENTS HAVE BEEN AVAILABLE ONLY FOR 15 WORKING DAYS, WHICH
19 IS SIMPLY NOT ENOUGH TIME. THE SIERRA CLUB ASKS YOU TO GIVE A
20 CONCERNED PUBLIC THE CHANCE TO REVIEW THIS INFORMATION IN AN
21 ADEQUATE WAY, IN A FULL AND SATISFACTORY MANNER. THERE'S
22 REALLY NO POINT IN YOU MAKING THAT DECISION IF WE DON'T HAVE
23 TIME TO REVIEW IT FULLY. SO ONE MORE MONTH EXTENDING THIS
24 HEARING TO ALLOW US THE TIME TO REVIEW THOSE DOCUMENTS IS
25 HARDLY A DROP IN THE BUCKET COMPARED WITH THE YEARS THAT WE'VE



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1 ALREADY BEEN INVOLVED IN THIS PROCESS. AND I JUST WANT TO
2 CLOSE BY REFERENCING A JONI MITCHELL SONG, IN WHICH SHE SINGS,
3 "YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'VE GOT 'TIL IT'S GONE." SHE WAS
4 TALKING ABOUT PAVING PARADISE AND PUTTING UP A PARKING LOT. IS
5 THE SANTA CLARA RIVER AND ITS FLOOD PLAIN PARADISE? DEFINITELY
6 TO SOME, ESPECIALLY THE COMMUNITY THAT LIVES IN THE AREA. TO
7 EVERYONE IT IS THE LAST REMAINING WILD RIVER IN SOUTHERN
8 CALIFORNIA AND CONTAINS COUNTY DESIGNATED SIGNIFICANT
9 ECOLOGICAL AREAS. I JUST WANT TO POINT OUT THAT WE KNOW THE
10 WORTH OF THIS PLACE AND THIS LAND NOW BEFORE IT'S GONE. PLEASE
11 DON'T PAVE OVER THIS PARADISE. PLEASE INFORM YOURSELF AND ACT
12 IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF L.A. COUNTY. THANK YOU.

13

14 **BARBARA WAMPOLE:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS AND CHAIRMAN
15 BRATHWAITE-BURKE. MY NAME IS BARBARA WAMPOLE. I LIVE IN THE
16 SANTA CLARITA VALLEY NOW FOR 31 YEARS AND I AM THE VICE CHAIR
17 OF FRIENDS OF THE SANTA CLARA RIVER. IT IS WITH GREAT CONCERN
18 THAT WE APPROACHED THIS DATE OF THE DATE OF THIS HEARING WITH
19 ALL THE INFORMATION THAT WAS NEWLY MADE AVAILABLE TO THE
20 PUBLIC. WE'D LIKE TO ASK FOR AT LEAST AN ADDITIONAL THREE
21 MONTHS OF REVIEW OF THOSE DOCUMENTS BECAUSE THIS IS THE MOST
22 DIFFICULT TIME FOR ANYONE TO LOOK AT THEM. AT THE LAST
23 HEARING, ADDITIONAL DATA WAS REQUESTED FOR REVIEW. THAT DATA
24 WAS REQUESTED BY US SHORTLY AFTER TO FACILITATE REVIEW BY
25 QUALIFIED EXPERTS FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC AND YOU. WE



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1 HAD NOT 15, BUT ONLY 12 WORKING DAYS, BECAUSE ON FRIDAYS THAT
2 DEPARTMENT IS CLOSED. TO REVIEW THESE AND TO FIND EXPERTS FOR
3 THIS UNPRECEDENTED PROJECT. WE MET WITH ONE SUPERVISOR'S
4 REPRESENTATIVE TO EXPLAIN THE ADDITIONAL PROBLEMS, AT THAT
5 TIME WE EXPECTED TO ACCESS THE DOCUMENTS THE NEXT MONDAY AND
6 HAD TO WAIT AN ADDITIONAL WEEK, AND EVEN LATER, THERE WAS
7 STILL NOT COMPLETE INFORMATION. MUCH OF THE DATA REQUESTED WAS
8 BIOLOGICAL FIELD NOTES, ET CETERA, THAT REQUIRED US TO LOOK
9 FOR ASSISTANCE OF PROFESSIONAL BIOLOGISTS AND BOTANISTS WHO
10 ARE CURRENTLY ENGAGED IN THE MOST DEMANDING SEASON OF THEIR
11 PROFESSIONAL WORK. THE SHEER QUANTITY OF DATA WOULD HAVE BEEN
12 DAUNTING EVEN FOR UNFAVORABLE -- UNAVAILABLE, YES RIGHT,
13 UNFAVORABLE IS OFTEN THE CASE -- UNAVAILABLE PROFESSIONALS AND
14 EFFECTIVELY OBSCURED THE DOCUMENTS DATA, TO EVALUATE WHICH
15 DOCUMENTS WERE CRITICAL FOR COMPARISON MIGHT STILL HAVE BEEN
16 BEYOND THE ABILITY OF IMPARTIAL PROFESSIONALS IN SUCH A SHORT
17 PERIOD OF TIME. WE FOUND MANY WHO WERE EAGER TO SEE THE DATA
18 BUT COULDN'T TAKE TIME FROM THEIR COMMITMENTS. THE FOCUSED
19 SURVEYS OF THE ARROYO TOAD AND THE STICKLEBACK, ALONG WITH
20 DATA ON THE RECENTLY DISCOVERED SAN FERNANDO SPINE FLOWER WERE
21 NEVER PUBLISHED OR OTHERWISE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC
22 UNTIL THIS PERIOD OF TIME. THOSE DOCUMENTS PROVIDE NEW AND
23 SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION FOR THE PUBLIC TO REVIEW. WITH WHAT
24 LITTLE TIME INDIVIDUALS COULD FIND TO QUICKLY ACCESS THESE
25 DOCUMENTS, WE STILL NEEDED TO FIND BIOLOGICAL, BOTANICAL,



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1 HYDROLOGICAL, CULTURAL RESOURCE SPECIALISTS, WATER SUPPLY
2 QUALITY RESEARCH SPECIALISTS AND PEOPLE WHO COULD DEAL WITH
3 TRAFFIC CIRCULATION. WE ARE CONCERNED THAT THERE WERE CHANGES
4 IN THE FLOODPLAIN AND HYDROLOGICAL DATA AND HAD NO WAY TO
5 REVIEW THOSE EITHER. IT IS OUR UNDERSTANDING THAT EVEN TO THIS
6 DAY, THERE WERE -- THERE ARE CONSULTANTS WHO FEEL FEAR OF
7 RETALIATORY CONSEQUENCES IF THEY REVEAL THE CONDITIONS UNDER
8 WHICH THEY WORK AS A RESULT OF THE CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENTS.
9 THIS PRACTICE HAS SERIOUSLY COMPROMISED THE SEQUA PROCESS. IT
10 IS OUR UNDERSTANDING AS WELL, THOUGH WE HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO
11 VERIFY IT, THAT U.R.S. WAS FIRED OR OTHERWISE DISMISSED
12 SUBSEQUENT TO THEIR RELEASING OF THE SPINE FLOWER DATA TO U.C.
13 BERKELEY FOR IDENTIFICATION PURPOSES, AND WE ARE STILL
14 DISTURBED THAT THE FIELD NOTES OF AQUATIC SCIENCES LU COUTOIR,
15 ARE NOT INCLUDED IN THE ADDITIONAL DATA AND WE WOULD LIKE THE
16 COUNTY TO REQUEST THOSE FIELD NOTES AND OR EXPLAIN THEIR
17 ABSENCE. THE QUESTIONABLE NATURE OF THE SETTLEMENT OF THE L.A.
18 COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S CASE AGAINST NEWHALL LAND AND
19 FARMING COMPANY REGARDING THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY SPINE FLOWER
20 BRINGS INTO QUESTION THEIR COMPLIANCE WITH THE COURT'S ORDER
21 TO REFRAIN FROM ANY ACTIVITIES THAT INITIATED WORK ON THIS
22 PROJECT. THEIR CONTEMPTUOUS ATTITUDE IN DECLARING WITHIN THE
23 E.I.R. DOCUMENTS THAT THEY COULD CLEARLY -- CLEARLY -- THEY
24 COULD AND CLEARLY DO DESTROY SPECIES UNDER AGRICULTURAL
25 PRACTICES, BRINGS US TO THE QUESTION -- TO QUESTION THEIR --



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1 THE VERACITY OF THEIR INTENTIONS TO DISCLOSE INFORMATION THAT
2 SEQUA DOCUMENTS REQUIRE AND THAT THE COURT HAS REQUIRED THEM
3 TO CONFORM TO WITHIN THE COUNTY'S S.E.A. POLICIES. ANY COMPANY
4 SO PROUD OF ITS RECORD FOR PROTECTING NATURAL RESOURCES ON ITS
5 PROPERTY CAN HARDLY CLAIM IGNORANCE WITH REGARD TO THE
6 EXISTENCE OF NOR THE WHEREABOUTS OF SPECIES. PLEASE TAKE TIME
7 TO REVIEW L.A. COUNTY'S S.E.T.A.C. MEETING TAPE RECORDINGS AND
8 LISTEN TO THE PREVARICATION THAT POINTS TO AWARENESS OF ARROYO
9 TOADS ALL ALONG. WE ARE VERY DISTURBED. PLEASE DON'T HESITATE
10 TO CONTACT ANY OF US IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS PROJECT.
11 AND I WOULD LIKE TO HAND -- THIS IS MY TESTIMONY AS WELL AS A
12 SMALL FACT SHEET ON THE NEWHALL RANCH PROJECT WHICH WILL
13 EXPLAIN TO YOU THAT THERE ARE FOUR -- SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY
14 ASKED ABOUT WHETHER OR NOT THERE WAS NONRESIDENTIAL OR
15 INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL UNITS, WHAT KIND OF ACREAGE AND
16 SQUARE FOOTAGE. IT'S 4,493 NONRESIDENTIAL UNITS, INDUSTRIAL
17 COMMERCIAL, THAT'S AN ADDITIONAL 5,000 FACILITIES ON TOP OF
18 THE HOUSING. IT'S NEARLY A THOUSAND ACRES OF THE PROJECT WHICH
19 WILL BE COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL. ACCORDING TO THE NUMBERS
20 THAT WE FOUND IN THE DOCUMENTS, WHICH OF COURSE HAVE BEEN
21 CHANGING ON A FAIRLY REGULAR BASIS OVER THE LAST FIVE YEARS.
22 THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TIME.

23

24 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** DID WE CALL THOMAS BARRON? ALL RIGHT. THE
25 TIME HAS ELAPSED AFTER YOU SPEAK.



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2 **THOMAS BARRON:** MY NAME IS THOMAS BARRON AND I'M A 30 YEAR

3 RESIDENT OF SAUGUS ON THE WESTERN BOUNDARY OF THE COUNTY

4 ADJACENT TO NEWHALL RANCH. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIRMAN AND

5 SUPERVISORS FOR AGAIN TAKING MY COMMENTS AND HONORING OUR

6 PERSISTENCE IN OPPOSING YOUR APPROVAL OF THE NEWHALL RANCH AS

7 CURRENTLY PROPOSED. IT HAS BEEN WELL ESTABLISHED THAT SERIOUS

8 CONCERNS REMAIN, DESPITE THE EFFORTS OF YOUR STAFF SINCE THE

9 HEARING IN MARCH. THE REVISED STAFF REPORT RELEASED JUST A FEW

10 DAYS AGO TO THE PUBLIC DESCRIBES THE STAFF'S EFFORTS TO

11 RECONCILE THE PREVIOUS TESTIMONY WITH THE NOW-PUBLIC FIELD

12 NOTES AND EVIDENCE AND CONCLUDED IN THAT REPORT, QUOTE, "THE

13 MAP REPRESENTS THE BEST AVAILABLE DATA DEPICTING -- IN THIS

14 CASE, THE ARROYO TOAD -- LOCATIONS. NONETHELESS, THE E.I.R.

15 IDENTIFIED THE POTENTIAL FOR THIS SPECIES TO OCCUR ON THE SITE

16 BUT THE MONITORING PLAN CONTAINS MEASURES TO MITIGATE IMPACTS,

17 ASSUMING THEY WOULD BE FOUND TO OCCUR IN THE FUTURE." IN OTHER

18 WORDS, YOUR STAFF IS SAYING TO APPROVE THESE PLANS NOW AND FIX

19 THE PROBLEMS LATER. THIS IS THE ANTITHESIS OF THE SMART GROWTH

20 MASTER PLANNING CONCEPT. NEWHALL RANCH WAS CONCEIVED DECADES

21 AGO, NOT FIVE YEARS AGO, BUT DECADES AGO, AND WAS A BOLD

22 GAMBLE THAT ONE SUPER-SIZED PROJECT WOULD NOT FACE SUPER-SIZED

23 OPPONENTS, BUT INSTEAD, THEY'VE FACED THE HUMBLEST OF GOD'S

24 CREATURES: A TOAD, A FISH, AND A TINY BIRD. YOU'VE HEARD

25 TESTIMONY AND REVELATIONS ABOUT GEOLOGIC FAULTS, AIR QUALITY



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1 AND TRAFFIC, TOXINS IN THE LOCAL WATER SUPPLIES AND THE OTHER
2 OBVIOUS IMPACTS, BUT THE SHOW STOPPER SO FAR THAT IS A QUOTE,
3 "DISCOVERY," END QUOTE, OF ENDANGERED SPECIES. BUT WHY ARE
4 THEY NEWS? BECAUSE THEY WERE NOT DISCLOSED IN THE LEGALLY-
5 MANDATED REPORTS, THESE TINY CREATURES NOW BRING INTO FOCUS
6 THE PROBLEM OF THE ADEQUACY OF YOUR REVIEW. I WAS PART OF AN
7 ENVIRONMENTAL DELEGATION THAT MET WITH SUPERVISORS PLANNING
8 DEPUTIES AND PRESENTED THESE CONCERNS. MEMBERS OF THE
9 COMMUNITY MET WITH THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT AND COPIED, AT
10 THEIR EXPENSE, THE 43 BOXES OF FIELD NOTES FOR ANALYSIS BY
11 OUTSIDE EXPERTS. WE REMAINED CONVINCED THAT TO NOW APPROVE THE
12 STAFF'S ANALYSIS WITHOUT ADDITIONAL RESEARCH AND PUBLIC
13 TESTIMONY IS IMPRUDENT. PLEASE RESCHEDULE YOUR VOTE. THANK
14 YOU.

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16 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU. ARE THERE OTHER
17 PEOPLE WHO HAVE REQUESTED TO SPEAK? ALL RIGHT, DO WE HAVE ANY
18 AMENDMENTS OR MOTIONS? SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND HEAR FROM THE APPLICANT OR, NO, YEAH,
21 I'LL JUST SAY --

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23 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** HAS THE APPLICANT REQUESTED TO SPEAK? OKAY.
24 YES. WE HAVE THREE PEOPLE WHO'VE REQUESTED TO SPEAK:



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OH THEY'RE COMING UP --

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3 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** STEVE ZIMMER, DAVID C. SMITH, AND RAY
4 PEARL.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHILE THEY'RE COMING UP, LET ME ASK STAFF,
7 ACCORDING TO OUR RECORDS, THE APPLICATION FOR THIS PROJECT WAS
8 FILED IN 1994?

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10 **LEE STARK:** THAT'S CORRECT.

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE PLANNING COMMISSION HELD MULTIPLE
13 PUBLIC HEARINGS BETWEEN 1997 AND 1998?

14

15 **LEE STARK:** RIGHT.

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE BOARD INITIALLY APPROVED THE PROJECT
18 IN 1999.

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20 **LEE STARK:** CORRECT.

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THE PROJECT BEGAN APPROXIMATELY NINE YEARS
23 AGO.

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25 **LEE STARK:** CORRECT.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

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4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CAN I JUST, BEFORE THEY START, ON THAT
7 POINT, I THINK I'VE GOTTEN AN ANSWER AND I WANT TO JUST
8 CLARIFY JUST FOR THE RECORD 'CAUSE I ASKED A QUESTION AND YOU
9 WEREN'T ABLE TO ANSWER IT, AND I JUST WANT TO -- GOING OVER
10 THE REPORT. THAT BEFORE THIS APPLICATION -- BEFORE THIS
11 SPECIFIC PLAN WAS CALLED FOR THIS PROPERTY, THE RIGHTS THAT
12 THE PROPERTY OWNERS HAD CUMULATIVELY WAS FOR 2,070 DWELLING
13 UNITS OVER NEARLY 12,000 ACRES, AND THE CURRENT PLAN IS FOR
14 21,000 DWELLING UNITS, OVER 10 TIMES THE AMOUNT THAT WAS
15 PREVIOUSLY ENTITLED ON THESE PROPERTIES. IS THAT CORRECT?

16

17 **LEE STARK:** RIGHT, THAT'S CORRECT YES.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO THIS GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT IS A 10-FOLD
20 INCREASE IN DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS, JUST BY THREE VOTES OF YOURS.
21 THAT'S THE LONG AND THE SHORT OF IT. IT'S TAKEN NINE YEARS,
22 BUT MAY -- FOR THEM, IT MAY BE WORTH WAITING FOR, A 10-FOLD
23 INCREASE. THAT'S A PRETTY GOOD RETURN ON INVESTMENT, ISN'T IT?
24 THAT'S NOT A FAIR QUESTION TO ASK YOU, BUT THE FIGURES ARE
25 ACCURATE, RIGHT? FROM 2,000 TO 21,000 .



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2 **RAY PEARL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF
3 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS RAY PEARL, I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
4 OF THE LOS ANGELES VENTURA CHAPTER OF THE BUILDING INDUSTRY
5 ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. I AM HERE TODAY TO SPEAK
6 ON BEHALF OF THE NEWHALL RANCH PROJECT. OUR ASSOCIATION AND
7 ITS 1200 MEMBERS WHOLEHEARTEDLY ENDORSES THIS PROJECT AS ONE
8 PART, ONE COMPONENT, OF SOLVING THE HOUSING CRISIS THAT LOS
9 ANGELES COUNTY FACES THAT I HAVE NOT HEARD ANYONE ON THE BOARD
10 YET SPEAK TO. THERE IS A VERY REAL SHORTAGE IN LOS ANGELES
11 COUNTY. WE NEED TO BUILD 25,000 HOMES A YEAR TO MEET OUR
12 DEMAND. NEWHALL RANCH DOESN'T EVEN BEGIN TO SOLVE THAT, AND IT
13 IS ABSOLUTELY VITAL THAT WE FOCUS ON NOT ONLY NEWHALL RANCH,
14 BUT INFIELD DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES
15 COUNTY. THIS PROJECT, AS SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH ALLUDED TO
16 EARLIER, IS A SMART GROWTH PROJECT. IT IS CREATIVE, IT IS NEAR
17 MAJOR INFRASTRUCTURE SUCH AS ROADS, HOSPITALS, COLLEGES, MAJOR
18 EMPLOYMENT CENTERS. THE MAJORITY OF THE PROJECT WILL BE
19 PERMANENTLY DEDICATED OPEN SPACE. THERE WILL BE A WIDE RANGE
20 OF HOMES, AFFORDABLE, ALL THE WAY TO MARKET RATE. THERE WILL
21 BE EXTENSIVE WALKING TRAILS CONNECTING SHOPPING, PARKS, AND
22 SCHOOLS, AND THERE'S AN AWFUL LOT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MITIGATION,
23 AND AS SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH SAID, THIS PROJECT IS HELD TO A
24 HIGHER STANDARD THAN ANY OTHER PROJECT THAT HAS EVER COME
25 BEFORE YOUR BOARD. IT IS ABSOLUTELY CRUCIAL THAT NEWHALL RANCH



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1 BE APPROVED TO BEGIN TO ADDRESS THE NEEDS FOR HOUSING FOR ALL
2 ANGELINOS. WHEN WE TALK ABOUT GROWTH, WHAT NO ONE TENDS TO
3 REMEMBER IS THAT OVER 70% OF THE GROWTH THAT HAPPENS IN OUR
4 COUNTY IS FROM BIRTHS OVER DEATHS. IT IS NOT EVEN MIGRATION.
5 IT'S THE FACT THAT PEOPLE LIKE MYSELF HAVE A THREE YEAR OLD
6 AND A SEVEN WEEK OLD CHILD THAT ARE CONTRIBUTING TO THE NEED
7 FOR HOUSING IN THE FUTURE. UNFORTUNATELY, EXTREME NO-GROWTH
8 ACTIVISTS PRESENT MISLEADING, INACCURATE, INFLAMMATORY, QUOTE,
9 UNQUOTE, "INFORMATION" IN AN ATTEMPT TO STOP ALL DEVELOPMENT.
10 WE URGE YOUR SUPPORT OF NEWHALL RANCH AND WE URGE YOU TO ALLOW
11 FAMILIES LIKE MINE TO HAVE A PLACE TO LIVE IN THE FUTURE. AND
12 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, I DO WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT I AM A
13 CONSTITUENT OF YOURS LIVING IN THE CONEJO VALLEY, AND I STILL
14 URGE YOUR SUPPORT PERSONALLY ON THIS PROJECT. THANK YOU.

15

16 **DAVID SMITH:** MADAM CHAIR AND HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF
17 SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS DAVID SMITH, I'M A GENERAL COUNSEL FOR
18 THE BUILDING INDUSTRY LEGAL DEFENSE FOUNDATION, AND I ALSO
19 WEAR A HAT AS GENERAL COUNSEL AND VICE PRESIDENT OF GOVERNMENT
20 AFFAIRS FOR THE B.I.A. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. I DON'T HAVE
21 PREPARED REMARKS FOR TODAY, I THOUGHT THE PUBLIC HEARING WAS
22 GOING TO BE CLOSED, BUT THE TESTIMONY TODAY HAS INVOKED TWO
23 SIGNIFICANT POLICY QUESTIONS THAT I WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK TO
24 THAT I THINK THAT NEWHALL RANCH PRESENTS EXEMPLARY SOLUTIONS
25 TO, AND I ENCOURAGE THOSE WHO ARE SPEAKING SO VEHEMENTLY IN



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1 OPPOSITION TO THIS PROJECT TO BE CAREFUL WHAT YOU ASK FOR. THE
2 TWO TOPICS I WANT TO ADDRESS ARE HOW WE DEAL WITH OUR
3 ENDANGERED SPECIES ISSUES IN A COMPREHENSIVE WAY AND THE JOBS
4 HOUSING IMBALANCE. AS TO THE ENDANGERED SPECIES, I SPEND A
5 GREAT DEAL OF MY TIME ON THE ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT AND THE
6 IMPLEMENTATION. I MEET ABOUT EVERY SIX WEEKS WITH THE CARLSBAD
7 OFFICE OF THE U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE TO BRAINSTORM
8 SOME OF THE BROADER NOT-PROJECT-SPECIFIC ISSUES. I WAS
9 RECENTLY INVITED TO PORTLAND, OREGON, TO ADDRESS THE U.S. FISH
10 AND WILDLIFE SERVICES NATIONAL CONSERVATION TRAINING CENTERS
11 COURSE ON RECOVERY PLANNING. AND THE SUBSTANCE OF MY REMARKS,
12 I WAS THERE TO ADDRESS COOPERATIVE STRATEGIES WITH THE
13 REGULATED COMMUNITY ON CONSERVATION EFFORTS. AND THE GIST OF
14 MY SPEAKING AND THE POINTS WE DISCUSSED TOGETHER WERE THE
15 IMPORTANCE OF BROAD-BASED ECOSYSTEM-WIDE CONSERVATION MEASURES
16 THAT ARE LARGELY AT THE MERCY OF LARGE LANDHOLDERS, WITHOUT
17 LARGE CONTIGUOUS PARCELS OF PROPERTY, WE CANNOT PRESERVE ON AN
18 ECOSYSTEM-WIDE BASIS, AND TO PUNISH THE MAJOR LANDOWNERS BY
19 BRINGING FORWARD A COMPREHENSIVE VISION INCENTIVIZES
20 PIECEMEALING OF LANDHOLDINGS TO BE SOLD OFF IN SMALLER
21 PROJECTS THAT HAVE ISOLATED -- THEY STILL HAVE TO MITIGATE FOR
22 THEIR ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECTS, BUT THEY'RE IN MUCH SMALLER
23 PIECES, AND I RECENTLY HEARD A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE
24 DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME REFER TO THESE SMALL PIECES AS
25 EXTINCTION POCKETS BECAUSE THEY GET ISOLATED AMONGST OTHER



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1 PARCEL DEVELOPMENTS. NEWHALL LAND'S COMPREHENSIVE CONSERVATION
2 APPROACH IS EXEMPLARY OF THE POINTS THAT WE RAISED. THE JOBS
3 HOUSING IMBALANCE THAT WAS DISCUSSED SO VEHEMENTLY AND THE
4 TRAFFIC TRIPS, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, I AGREE WITH YOU THAT
5 NO ONE HAS A CRYSTAL BALL AND KNOWS EXACTLY WHAT'S GOING TO
6 HAPPEN WITH TRIP GENERATIONS, BUT I CAN TELL YOU THAT AS
7 INDIVIDUALIZED PROJECTS IN ISOLATION COME FORWARD, THE JOBS
8 HOUSING IMBALANCE UNIVERSALLY COMES UP, BUT WE ARE AT A LOSS
9 OF ANYTHING TO DO ABOUT IT BECAUSE THIS IS ONE PROJECT IN
10 ISOLATION. HERE YOU HAVE A COMPREHENSIVE VISION THAT BRINGS
11 INTO BALANCE THE JOBS DEMAND AND THE HOUSING DEMAND OVER THE
12 NEXT 20 YEARS. IS THERE A GUARANTEE THIS IS THE ONLY WAY IT
13 WILL COME FORWARD? MAYBE NOT. BUT ARE WE NOT BETTER OFF
14 STARTING WITH A COMPREHENSIVE VISION THAT BRINGS THOSE INTO
15 BALANCE? THESE EXAMPLES ARE ONLY TWO THAT SHOW THE INCREDIBLE
16 BENEFIT OF A BROAD-BASED MASTER PLAN APPROACH TO DEVELOPMENT,
17 AND RATHER THAN ENCOURAGING THE FEW REMAINING LANDOWNERS THAT
18 WE HAVE TO BRING FORWARD THIS TYPE OF VISION, WE PUNISH THEM.
19 IT'S TOO LARGE, IT'S TOO BIG. NO. WHAT IT IS IS COORDINATED
20 AND VISIONARY, AND IT TAKES COURAGE TO BRING THOSE FORWARD AND
21 STAND UP TO THE INCREDIBLE OPPOSITION THAT THEY BRING.

22

23 **STEVE ZIMMER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS STEVE ZIMMER. I'M
24 WITH NEWHALL LAND AND FARMING, THE APPLICANT, AND I'D LIKE TO
25 KEEP MY COMMENTS VERY BRIEF. I HAVE HEARD THE COMMENTS THAT



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1 THE OPPOSITION ADDRESSED TODAY AND HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO
2 REVIEW SOME OF THE COMMENT LETTERS, ALTHOUGH NOT ALL OF THEM.
3 I WOULD SAY THAT ALL OF THE COMMENTS HAVE BEEN ADDRESSED
4 EXTENSIVELY IN THE ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTS AND THE RESPONSE TO
5 COMMENTS AND EVERYTHING ELSE THAT'S BEFORE THE BOARD. AS FAR
6 AS WE'RE CONCERNED, WE'RE READY FOR THIS MATTER TO MOVE
7 FORWARD TODAY. THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, ARE THERE QUESTIONS?

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I WOULD JUST -- IS MR. ZIMMER, IS YOUR
12 TRAFFIC ENGINEER HERE? 'CAUSE HE MAY BE THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN
13 ANSWER SOME OF THESE --

14

15 **STEVE ZIMMER:** NO, HE'S NOT HERE.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA:** I ONLY HAVE ONE QUESTION. I GUESS THE REPORT, I
18 JUST WANTED CLARIFICATION, IN THE PROTECTION OF THE SPINE
19 FLOWER, IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT THIS PRESERVE WELL UNDER
20 THESE CONDITIONS, IT IS TO BE A COMPLETE AND THOROUGH
21 PRESERVE, THERE WILL BE NO ROADWAYS, THERE WILL BE NOTHING
22 THAT WILL BE BUILT THERE, IS THAT CORRECT?

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24 **LEE STARK:** THAT'S CORRECT. THAT ISSUE WAS RAISED AT YOUR MARCH
25 25TH MEETING, AND STAFF HAS ANTICIPATED THAT THE MATERIAL MAY



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1 BENEFIT FROM FURTHER CLARIFICATION THAT THAT IS TO BE THE
2 CASE, AND --

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4 **SUP. MOLINA:** IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT IN THE DOCUMENT, IT
5 HAS -- THERE IS INFORMATION THAT WITH REGARD TO GRADING AND
6 GRADING, RIGHT?

7

8 **LEE STARK:** THAT'S CORRECT.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO IF THERE'S NOT GOING TO BE ANY BUILDING OF IT,
11 THEN YOU HAVE TO CHANGE THE WORDING. IS THAT CORRECT?

12

13 **LEE STARK:** WELL, WE CAN -- IN ANTICIPATING THAT THIS MAY BE AN
14 ISSUE TODAY, WE HAVE PREPARED SOME ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE THAT
15 WOULD CLARIFY WHAT CAN BE DONE IN TERMS OF GRADING OR
16 BASICALLY WHAT CANNOT BE DONE IN TERMS OF GRADING AND
17 DEVELOPMENT WITHIN THE SPINE FLOWER PRESERVE AREAS, AND IF
18 YOU'D LIKE, I WOULD LIKE TO READ WHAT WE'RE SUGGESTING BE
19 ADDED TO UNDERSCORE THE CONCERNS YOU RAISE.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT SO YOU DO HAVE LANGUAGE, THEN.

22

23 **LEE STARK:** YES, YES, WE DO --

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25 **SUP. MOLINA:** GO AHEAD PLEASE.



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2 **LEE STARK:** AND THE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM, IN THE STAFF
3 REPORT THAT WAS DISTRIBUTED TO YOU DATED MARCH -- UH -- MAY
4 20TH, 2003, ON PAGE 2-123 OF THE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM,
5 UNDER GRADING ACTIVITIES, WHICH IS 2-E 2-C, IF YOU FOLLOW ALL
6 THAT, WE WOULD SUGGEST ADDING THE FOLLOWING PROVISION, UNDER
7 SMALL ROMAN NUMERAL VII. "NO GRADING SHALL BE ALLOWED WITHIN
8 THE SPINE FLOWER PRESERVES AND BUFFERS UNLESS FOR A ROADWAY
9 THAT IS DETERMINED TO BE THE ENVIRONMENTALLY SUPERIOR
10 ALTERNATIVE. NO OTHER DEVELOPMENT OR DISTURBANCE OF NATIVE
11 HABITAT SHALL BE ALLOWED WITHIN THE SPINE FLOWER PRESERVES AND
12 BUFFERS." AND IN THE MITIGATION MONITORING PROGRAM, ON PAGE
13 4.0-50 OF THE MAY 20TH REPORT, WITHIN MITIGATION MEASURE 4.6-
14 67, I WOULD ADD TO THE -- HAVE THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGE TO THE
15 CONCLUSION OF THE PARAGRAPH THAT BEGINS WITH "ROADWAYS AND
16 ROAD RIGHTS-OF-WAY," THIS IS THE LANGUAGE AT THE END OF THAT
17 PARAGRAPH, "NO OTHER DEVELOPMENT OR DISTURBANCE OF NATIVE
18 HABITAT SHALL BE ALLOWED WITHIN THE SPINE FLOWER PRESERVES OR
19 BUFFERS." NOW, IF THESE CHANGES ARE ACCEPTED BY THE BOARD,
20 THEN THE FINDINGS OF FACT AND RESOLUTIONS SUPPORTING THE
21 CERTIFICATION OF THE ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS THAT WAS ALSO
22 DELIVERED TO YOU SHALL -- SHOULD BE -- SHALL BE SO MODIFIED BY
23 THIS LANGUAGE.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. VERY GOOD. SO I'M OFFERING -- DO WE
2 NEED TO AMEND THIS? THEN IN OTHER WORDS, WE'RE AMENDING IT
3 FORMALLY HERE?

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5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NO I'LL INCLUDE THAT, I'LL INCLUDE THAT.

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7 **SUP. MOLINA:** THEN YOU ACCEPT THAT AS PART?

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YES.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA:** YOU ACCEPT THAT, GREAT?

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YES.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA:** THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THOSE POINTS WERE WHAT I HAD ALLUDED TO
20 WHEN WE TALKED ABOUT THE S.E.A. 23, THAT IT WAS BEING
21 RESTRICTED ONLY TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF THAT BRIDGE TO PROTECT
22 THE ENVIRONMENT OF THE SANTA CLARA RIVER, IS VERY IMPORTANT.
23 MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS, ONE OF THE POINTS THAT WAS MADE BY
24 THE OPPONENTS IS THE QUESTION OF BUILDING OUT THE INNER CITY,
25 AND BUILDING OUT OTHER AREAS. IF YOU LOOK AT THE COUNTY OF LOS



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1 ANGELES, PEOPLE FAIL TO REALIZE IT'S MADE UP OF 88 INDIVIDUAL
2 CITIES AND 134 UNIQUE COMMUNITIES OF 1.5 MILLION PEOPLE, AND
3 PEOPLE CHOOSE TO LIVE IN DIFFERENT PARTS OF THIS COUNTY. MANY
4 HAVE BEEN BORN AND RAISED THERE AND THE COUNTY'S HISTORY BEGAN
5 IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY BACK WHEN THE MISSION IN SAN
6 GABRIEL, THE 40 -- I SHOULD SAY 44 PEOPLE WALKED NINE MILES TO
7 THE PUEBLO IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES AND THE COUNTY WHICH
8 PREDATES THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES BY THE WAY, WAS A LITTLE
9 COMMUNITY THAT STARTED THERE, THEN THOSE MISSIONARIES AND
10 PEOPLE WALKED A FEW MORE MILES TO SAN FERNANDO TO ESTABLISH
11 THE SAN FERNANDO MISSION, AND THEN ON THROUGH SANTA BARBARA.
12 BUT WHEN YOU TALK ABOUT BUILDING OUT, HOW DO YOU BUILD OUT A
13 BRENTWOOD OR A PACIFIC PALISADES OR BEVERLY HILLS OR A SAN
14 MARINO OR SOUTH PASADENA, OR A VERNON OR BRADBURY OR HIDDEN
15 HILLS? VERY DIFFICULT. THIS IS A PROJECT THAT HAS BEEN THROUGH
16 THE PROCESS FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS. WE'RE TALKING ABOUT 21,000
17 -- APPROXIMATELY 21,000 HOMES, BUT NO HOME IS GOING TO BE
18 BUILT UNTIL THEY COME BEFORE THE BOARD AND THERE'S A PUBLIC
19 HEARING AND DISCUSSION ON THOSE ISSUES AND THE COUNTY STAFF
20 AND DECISION MAKERS HAVE EXTENSIVELY REVIEWED THE PROPOSAL.
21 FOR THE LAST FOUR YEARS, AND BASED UPON THE DISCUSSION TODAY,
22 AN EXTENSIVE ADMINISTRATIVE RECORD AND AN EXHAUSTIVE
23 ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS, IT'S NOW AN APPROPRIATE TIME TO RENDER
24 AN INFORMED DECISION CONCERNING THIS PROJECT. THERE ARE 19,000
25 NEW JOBS BEING CREATED AND MANY PEOPLE DON'T REALIZE THERE ARE



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1 FULL-TIME PERMANENT JOBS ALREADY IN THE ANTELOPE, THE SANTA
2 CLARITA, IN KEARN COUNTY, VENTURA COUNTY, AND A LOT OF THE
3 PEOPLE WHO RESIDE IN THOSE AREAS HAVE CHILDREN WHO ALSO WANT
4 ENTRY LEVEL HOMES, WANT TO BE CLOSE TO THEIR WORK. WE'RE
5 TALKING ABOUT PERMANENT JOBS, AND THE PROPOSALS FOR GORMAN AND
6 OTHER PARTS OF KERN COUNTY IN THE NEXT 20 YEARS, YOU'RE GOING
7 TO SEE THAT AS THE ECONOMIC STIMULATOR FOR THE ENTIRE COUNTY,
8 BECAUSE THAT'S WHERE THE JOBS ARE GOING, THEY HAVE GOOD
9 SCHOOLS, THEY HAVE A HIGH QUALITY OF LIFE. ADD IT TO THIS
10 EXISTING DEVELOPMENT WILL APPROVE THE JOB HOUSING BALANCE TO
11 1.30 RATIO, THE RATIO PROJECTED BY SCAGG FOR THE ENTIRE
12 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA REGION. 30 NEW MILES OF NEW HIGHWAYS ARE
13 BEING CONSTRUCTED. A STATE OF THE WATER RECLAMATION PLANT,
14 SEVEN NEW PUBLIC SCHOOLS, THREE NEW FIRE STATIONS, 6,000 ACRES
15 OF PERMANENT OPEN SPACE, WHICH IS 50% OF THIS PROJECT,
16 REGIONAL PARKS SIMILAR IN SIZE TO GRIFFITH PARK, ADDITIONAL
17 THREE COMMUNITY PARKS AND ONE PUBLIC LIBRARY, 50 MILES OF
18 TRAILS, 15-ACRE SITE AND ALSO FACILITIES FOR THE SHERIFF'S
19 DEPARTMENT. ADDITIONALLY, THERE ARE SEVERAL MITIGATION
20 MEASURES THAT OFFSET ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE
21 PROJECT, WHICH INCLUDE TWO SPINE FLOWER PRESERVES, AREAS
22 TOTALING 64 ACRES, DEDICATION OF 1517 ACRE PORTION OF SALT
23 CREEK WATERSHED AND ADJOINING VENTURA COUNTY, A REDUCTION OF
24 730 HOUSING UNITS, A REDUCTION OF 132,000 SQUARE FEET OF
25 NONRESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT, AN INCREASED SPAN OF THE PORTORO



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1 BRIDGE BY 200 FEET TO REDUCE IMPACTS ON THE SANTA CLARITA
2 RIVER. SO MS. -- MADAM CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS, I WOULD MOVE THAT
3 THE BOARD APPROVE THE FINAL ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS PREPARED FOR
4 THE NEWHALL RANCH SPECIFIC PLAN AND WATER RECLAMATION PLANT,
5 CERTIFYING THAT THE BOARD HAS REVIEWED, CONSIDERED THE
6 INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THAT DOCUMENTATION, CERTIFY THAT THE
7 FINAL ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS HAS BEEN COMPLETED IN COMPLIANCE
8 WITH SEQUA, THE STATE SEQUA GUIDELINES, THE COUNTY'S
9 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT REPORTING PROCEDURES AND GUIDELINES AND
10 THE COURT'S DECISION IN THE PRIOR NEWHALL RANCH LITIGATION
11 THAT THE FINAL ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS REFLECTS THE INDEPENDENT
12 JUDGMENT OF THE BOARD, CERTIFY THE BOARD IS REVIEWED AND
13 CONSIDERED THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THE FINAL ADDITIONAL
14 ANALYSIS IN CONJUNCTION WITH REVIEW OF THE PREVIOUSLY-
15 CERTIFIED NEWHALL RANCH FINAL E.I.R., DETERMINE THAT THE
16 CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL AND MITIGATION MEASURES DISCUSSED IN
17 THE PREVIOUSLY-FILED FINAL E.I.R. -- CERTIFIED FINAL E.I.R.,
18 AND THE FINAL ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS ARE THE ONLY MITIGATION
19 MEASURES FOR THE PROJECT WHICH ARE FEASIBLE AND THAT THE
20 UNAVOIDABLE SIGNIFICANT EFFECTS OF THE PROJECT AFTER ADOPTION
21 OF THE CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL AND MITIGATION MEASURES ARE AS
22 DESCRIBED IN THE FINAL E.I.R., THE FINAL ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS,
23 AND THE REVIEWED MITIGATION MONITORING PLANS FOR THE SPECIFIC
24 PLAN AND WATER RECLAMATION PLANT. ADOPT THE ADDITIONAL SEQUA
25 FINDINGS AND STATEMENT OF OVERRIDING CONSIDERATIONS FOR THE



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1 NEWHALL RANCH SPECIFIC PLAN AND WATER RECLAMATION PLANT,
2 APPROVE AND ADOPT THE REVISED MITIGATION MONITORING PLANS FOR
3 BOTH THE SPECIFIC PLAN AND WATER RECLAMATION PLANT
4 INCORPORATED IN THE FINAL ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS AND FIND THAT
5 THE REVISED MITIGATION MONITORING PLANS ARE ADEQUATELY
6 DESIGNED TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THE MITIGATION MEASURES
7 DURING SPECIFIC PLAN IMPLEMENTATION, ADOPTING THE GENERAL
8 PLAN, SUB-PLAN AMENDMENTS 940875 AND THE NEWHALL RANCH
9 SPECIFIC PLAN DATED MAY 23, EXCUSE ME, DATED MAY 2003 AS
10 REVISED, ADOPT ZONE CHANGE NUMBERED 940875 AND ADOPT THE
11 FINDINGS, CONDITIONS AND ORDER APPROVING C.U.P. 940875.

12

13 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THAT ALSO INCLUDES THE POINTS THAT WE
16 SAID ABOUT THE MITIGATION.

17

18 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WAS THERE A SECOND?

19

20 **SUP. KNABE:** I'LL SECOND.

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22 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, IT WAS SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
23 KNABE. I'LL RECOGNIZE SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, THEN SUPERVISOR
24 KNABE.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAM CHAIR, I'M NOT GOING TO PURSUE A LONG
2 LIST OF QUESTIONS 'CAUSE I THINK I'VE KIND OF MADE THE POINT,
3 AND I HOPE WE -- AND I'M SURE IT'LL GET RESOLVED IN SOME OTHER
4 FORUM. FIRST OF ALL, LET ME JUST SAY A WORD ABOUT THE
5 DEVELOPER. AS I SAID EARLIER, I THINK NEWHALL LAND IS A CLASS
6 DEVELOPER. WHEN THEY DO DEVELOPMENT, THEY DO IT RIGHT. THE
7 QUESTION IS WHETHER THIS IS THE RIGHT PLACE FOR THEIR
8 DEVELOPMENT, AND THAT'S THE DIFFICULTY I'VE HAD WITH THIS. AND
9 AS EVERYONE HERE KNOWS, I VOTED FOR THIS FOUR YEARS AGO, AND
10 I'M NOT GOING TO VOTE FOR IT THIS TIME, AND I WANT TO TELL YOU
11 WHY. [APPLAUSE].

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SHHH. PLEASE. PLEASE. I THINK THE ISSUE OF
14 SPRAWL IN THIS COUNTY AND IN THIS REGION IS ONE OF THE BIGGEST
15 IF NOT THE BIGGEST ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUE THAT WE FACE AS A
16 REGION. CALABASAS, 20 YEARS AGO, AGOURA HILLS, THOUSAND OAKS,
17 WEST LAKE VILLAGE, IN THE LAST 20 YEARS, SANTA CLARITA,
18 STEVENSON RANCH, WE HAVE ANOTHER DEVELOPMENT THAT'S ON THE
19 AGENDA TODAY, 500 HOMES NEAR THE SIMEX MINE FOR REQUESTING
20 APPROVAL. NOW THERE'S TALK ABOUT A MASSIVE DEVELOPMENT AT
21 DAHONE RANCH, AT THE VERY NORTHERN END OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY
22 WHICH IS CLOSER TO BAKERSFIELD THAN IT IS TO CHATSWORTH. WHEN
23 IS ENOUGH ENOUGH? THAT'S THE QUESTION THAT THIS BOARD SHOULD
24 BE ASKING ITSELF, AND FOR THOSE WHO SAY, "WELL, WE WAITED NINE
25 YEARS, WHY AT THE 11TH HOUR?" I'M REMINDED OF THE WORDS OF



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1 BARBARA TUCKMAN, THE GREAT HISTORIAN, WHO DEFINED FOLLY IN HER
2 BOOK "THE MARCH OF FOLLY," AS A PERVERSE PERSISTENCE IN A
3 POLICY THAT IS DEMONSTRABLY THE WRONG COURSE, AND WE ARE ON A
4 COURSE THAT IS DEMONSTRABLY WRONG. AND I WOULD SUGGEST NOT
5 JUST THIS DEVELOPMENT AND NOT JUST THIS SPECIFIC PLAN, BUT
6 THAT WE NEED TO TAKE A LOOK REGIONALLY AT WHAT'S GOING ON IN
7 TERMS OF DEVELOPMENT IN THE OUTLYING AREAS OF OUR COUNTY. THE
8 SECOND THING IS THE TRAFFIC ISSUE. ASIDE FROM THE FROGS, THE
9 TOADS AND THE SPINE FLOWER, WHICH ARE ALL VERY IMPORTANT TO
10 ALL OF US, AND I DID NOTICE IN THE MAP -- I COULDN'T -- CAN'T
11 RESIST, THIS AREA OUTLINED IN DARK BLACK -- DARK BLACK? [
12 LIGHT LAUGHTER]

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14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YEAH MY ENGLISH TEACHER WOULD BE PROUD OF
15 ME, IS THE SPECIFIC PLAN AREA. THIS IS THE SANTA CLARITA RIVER
16 -- SANTA CLARA RIVER, SANTA CLARA RIVER, THAT, UPSTREAM AND
17 THESE THREE DOTS ARE WHERE THE TOAD WAS SPOTTED. I JUST WANT
18 TO POINT OUT THAT THE TOAD WAS SPOTTED HERE, IT WAS SPOTTED
19 HERE, AND THEN IT WAS SPOTTED JUST OUTSIDE THE PROPERTY LINE
20 OF NEWHALL -- NEWHALL'S PROPERTY LINE. THIS IS ONE OF THE
21 SMARTEST SPECIES TO EVER WALK THE SANTA CLARITA FOOTHILLS, AND
22 WE SHOULD HAVE SPENT THE TOAD UP INTO SPACE FORTY YEARS AGO
23 AND NOT THE CHIMPANZEE, 'CAUSE THIS IS ONE HELL OF A GLOBAL
24 POSITIONING SYSTEM THAT THAT TOAD HAS GOT. BUT SERIOUSLY,
25 BEYOND THE TOAD, AND BEYOND THE ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES THAT ARE



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1 GENERIC TO THE PROPERTY AND TO THAT AREA, THERE IS THE ISSUE
2 OF TRAFFIC. AND WHILE THE PUBLIC HEARING WAS GOING ON, WE
3 CALLED CALTRANS. AND I JUST WANT TO GIVE YOU JUST A KIND OF AN
4 ORDER OF MAGNITUDE, JUST TO GIVE YOU A LITTLE FLAVOR OF WHAT'S
5 COMING. THE 2000 FIGURES, AND THEY SUGGESTED WE ADD 10% TO
6 BRING IT UP TO DATE, SO I WILL DO THAT. TODAY'S FIGURES BASED
7 ON THE CALTRANS ESTIMATES OF THE 405 FREEWAY WHERE IT MEETS
8 THE 5, THE SAN DIEGO FREEWAY WHERE IT INTERSECTS THE GOLDEN
9 STATE FREEWAY, TODAY HAS 138,000 DAILY TRIPS IN BOTH
10 DIRECTIONS DAILY, ON THE AVERAGE. I COULDN'T GET THE PEAK HOUR
11 TRIPS, BUT WE CAN EXTRAPOLATE. THE 5 NORTH AND SOUTH ON THE I-
12 5, AS IT PASSES THE 405 INTERCHANGE, HAS A DAILY AVERAGE COUNT
13 OF 261,000 CARS A DAY. THIS DEVELOPMENT, ON THE AVERAGE, BY
14 THE TESTIMONY OF OUR OWN PUBLIC WORKS TRAFFIC ENGINEER, WILL
15 GENERATE 340,000 TRIPS AND TAKING HIS RIDICULOUS FIGURES AT
16 FACE VALUE THAT ONLY 10% OF THOSE 340,000 ARE GOING TO EVER
17 LEAVE THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY ON ANY GIVEN DAY, LET'S SAY
18 35,000 TRIPS A DAY, AND TAKING HIS FIGURES THAT 85% OF THOSE
19 OR CLOSE TO 30,000, IN THE PEAK HOUR I SHOULD -- SORRY,
20 AVERAGE DAILY TRIPS, 85% OF THOSE 35,000 ARE GOING TO COME
21 DOWN THE I-5, THAT WILL ADD TO THE CURRENT ESTIMATE OF TRAFFIC
22 ON THE I-5 AND THE 405 SOMEWHERE BETWEEN 10 AND 20% TO THE
23 TRAFFIC ON THOSE TWO FREEWAYS. NOW, WHY IS THAT SIGNIFICANT?
24 IT'S OBVIOUS -- I THINK IT'S SELF-EVIDENT WHY IT'S
25 SIGNIFICANT. BUT WHAT REALLY WAS THE STRAW THAT BROKE THE



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1 CAMEL'S BACK FOR ME WAS THIS EXPERIENCE I'VE HAD IN THE LAST
2 FOUR TO SIX WEEKS, AND A GENTLEMAN, WHO'S MY OWN CONSTITUENT
3 FROM THE CONEJO VALLEY, THIS RELATES TO YOU TOO, BECAUSE I
4 FOUND IT VERY BIZARRE THAT MY ELECTED CONSTITUENTS, MY ELECTED
5 LEADERS OUT IN THE CONEJO VALLEY, WHO ARE EXCELLENT
6 REPRESENTATIVES AND DO A GREAT JOB AND WITH WHOM I'M USUALLY
7 100% ACCORD, WHEN IT CAME TO THE ISSUE OF WIDENING THE 101
8 FREEWAY THROUGH STUDIO CITY, SHERMAN OAKS, ENCINO AND TARZANA,
9 THEY HAD NO PROBLEM WITH US, WITH CALTRANS AND THE M.T.A.,
10 VOTING TO WIPE OUT A THOUSAND HOMES TO MAKE ROOM FOR THEM. SO
11 TALK ABOUT INCREASING THE HOUSING STOCK? EXCUSE ME? INCREASING
12 THE HOUSING STOCK? WE ARE NOW BUILDING A CONSTITUENCY IN THE
13 NORTH L.A. COUNTY AREA FOR FREEWAY WIDENING, FOR HOME
14 DESTRUCTION, FOR CONDEMNATION, FOR DOUBLE DECKING, FOR ALL OF
15 THE THINGS THAT NONE OF US WANT TO SEE HAPPEN IN OUR OWN
16 BACKYARDS, AND WE'RE SEEING THAT DEVELOP AS WE SAW IT NOW IN
17 THE CONEJO VALLEY. THAT'S WHAT'S COMING, AND THAT'S NOT SMART
18 GROWTH. THAT'S DUMB. THAT'S PLAIN DUMB WITH A CAPITAL "D."
19 NOW, I URGE -- I KNOW THIS VOTE IS -- WHERE THE VOTE'S
20 HEADING, BUT I WOULD URGE THAT THIS BE THE LAST TIME THAT WE
21 GO DOWN THIS ROAD AND THAT NEXT TIME, IF THERE IS A NEXT TIME,
22 THAT SOMEBODY COMES IN WITH A DEVELOPMENT PLAN OF THIS
23 MAGNITUDE, THE BIGGEST IN THE HISTORY OF THE COUNTY, A 10-FOLD
24 INCREASE IN THEIR ENTITLEMENTS, 10 TIMES, 2000 TO 21,000, THAT
25 THE NEXT TIME WE HAVE SOMETHING LIKE THIS HAPPEN, THAT WE TAKE



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1 A CLOSER LOOK, AND THAT INCLUDES ME, TAKE A CLOSER LOOK, AND I
2 THINK WE OWE IT NOT ONLY TO OURSELVES, AND NOT ONLY OWE IT TO
3 OUR CONSTITUENTS, AND TO OUR FUTURE CONSTITUENTS, BUT ALSO TO
4 FUTURE GENERATIONS, BECAUSE THAT WOULD BE SMART GROWTH, THAT
5 WOULD BE SMART PLANNING. AND I'M NOT KNOCKING ANYBODY. I KNOW
6 THAT WE HAVE DIFFERENCES OF OPINION AND REASONABLE PEOPLE CAN
7 DIFFER ON SOMETHING OF THIS MAGNITUDE, NO QUESTION ABOUT IT,
8 AND I SUSPECT THIS'LL BE RESOLVED SOME DAY OUTSIDE OF THIS
9 ROOM AND PROBABLY IN A COURT OF LAW, BUT I DO THINK IT
10 DESERVES A CLOSER LOOK AND A CLOSER LOOK AT EXPERIENCE. THE
11 LAST THING I WANT TO SAY IS JOBS, HOUSING, BALANCE, YOU KNOW,
12 I USED TO THINK IN THE JOBS, HOUSING, BALANCE. I CAN'T TELL
13 YOU HOW MANY TIMES I WENT TO MY COMMUNITY WHEN I WAS A CITY
14 COUNCILMAN TOUTING THE JOBS, HOUSING, BALANCE. BUT, YOU KNOW,
15 YOU GET THESE EPIPHANIES ONCE IN A WHILE AND ONE DAY I WAS
16 DRIVING DOWN THE SANTA MONICA FREEWAY, MADAM CHAIR, THAT YOU
17 KNOW SO WELL, AND I REALIZED ABOUT 10 YEARS AGO, MAYBE A
18 LITTLE LONGER, THAT THE TRAFFIC PATTERNS ON THE SANTA MONICA
19 FREEWAY HAD REVERSED, THAT WHEN I WAS ELECTED TO THE CITY
20 COUNCIL 28 YEARS AGO TODAY, THE FIRST TIME, ON MAY 27TH, 1975,
21 IN THE MORNING, THE TRAFFIC WAS BUMPER TO BUMPER FROM THE
22 OCEAN INTO DOWNTOWN, AND IN THE AFTERNOON FROM DOWNTOWN TO THE
23 OCEAN. AND ABOUT 20 YEARS LATER, IT HAD KIND OF EVENED OUT.
24 AND TODAY, THERE'S ACTUALLY MORE TRAFFIC WESTBOUND HEADING FOR
25 SANTA MONICA AND CENTURY CITY AND THE 405 FREEWAY AND DOWN



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1 INTO THE AIRPORT AREA, WHICH WE ALL KNOW SO WELL, AND IT'S --
2 AND INBOUND IN THE MORNING IS MUCH EASIER THAN IT USED TO BE
3 AND IT'S EASIER THAN IT IS COMING WESTBOUND. WHAT DOES THAT
4 TELL YOU? IT TELLS YOU THAT DESPITE THE FACT THAT WE ALL
5 THOUGHT THAT THE JOBS HOUSING -- BY BUILDING MORE COMMERCIAL
6 AND INDUSTRIAL IN SANTA MONICA AND WEST L.A., THAT YOU WOULD
7 BE PROVIDING MORE JOBS WHERE THE PEOPLE ARE, WHAT WE FOUND WAS
8 THAT THE PEOPLE WHO HAD THE LOW AND MIDDLE-INCOME-PAYING JOBS
9 IN THOSE OFFICE BUILDINGS, IN THOSE LIGHT INDUSTRIAL PARKS,
10 COULDN'T BEGIN TO AFFORD TO LIVE OUT THERE, ANY MORE THAN
11 THEY'RE GOING TO BEGIN TO AFFORD TO BE ABLE TO LIVE IN THESE
12 WONDERFUL HOMES. THIS IS -- IT'S GOING TO BE -- THIS IS NOT
13 GOING TO BE A CHEAP PLACE TO LIVE. NEWHALL DOES FIRST CLASS
14 WORK AND THEY CHARGE GOOD PRICES FOR THOSE HOMES, AND THEY
15 DESERVE IT, SO TO THINK THAT PEOPLE ARE GOING TO BE LIVING OUT
16 THERE IN FOUR, FIVE, SIX, 700,000-DOLLAR HOMES AND BEYOND AND
17 BEING THE CLERK AT THE LOCAL WAREHOUSE IS LAUGHABLE.
18 SOMEBODY'S GOING TO HAVE TO COMMUTE IN TO DO SOME OF THE JOBS
19 THAT THE PEOPLE WHO DO THOSE JOBS -- BECAUSE THE PEOPLE WHO DO
20 THOSE JOBS CAN'T AFFORD TO LIVE IN THOSE COMMUNITIES, AND VICE
21 VERSA. THAT'S THE EXPERIENCE WE'VE HAD IN THE WESTERN PART OF
22 L.A., THAT'S THE EXPERIENCE WE'VE HAD BETWEEN THE SAN FERNANDO
23 VALLEY AND THE CONEJO VALLEY, AND THAT'S THE EXPERIENCE THAT
24 YOU HAVE RIGHT NOW AS WE SPEAK BETWEEN THE SANTA CLARITA
25 VALLEY AND THE REST OF TOWN, AND THERE'S NO REASON IN THE



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1 WORLD TO BELIEVE THAT THIS SPECIFIC PLAN IS GOING TO TURN ALL
2 OF THAT EXPERIENCE AND ALL THAT HISTORY ON ITS HEAD. IT'S
3 NONSENSE, WHICH IS A NICER THING THAN I SAID TO THE TRAFFIC
4 ENGINEER ON THE SIDE HERE. HAVING SAID THAT, I APPRECIATE ALL
5 THE WORK THAT MR. ANTONOVICH HAS DONE AND THE AMENDMENTS THAT
6 HE ACCEPTED LAST TIME THAT I OFFERED UP, EVEN THOUGH I DIDN'T
7 VOTE FOR -- FOR THE PLAN, THOSE ARE GOOD AMENDMENTS. THE
8 DEDICATION OF THE 1500 ACRES ON THE VENTURA -- OR WHATEVER THE
9 NUMBER IS ON THE VENTURA COUNTY SIDE OF THE LINE IS A MAJOR
10 IMPROVEMENT OVER WHAT WE HAD, AND I THANK MR. ANTONOVICH AND
11 HIS STAFF FOR ADVANCING THAT, YOU KNOW, THE BALL ON THOSE
12 ISSUES. BUT AT THE END OF THE DAY, I HAVE TO VOTE "NO" BECAUSE
13 I JUST THINK WE'VE GOT TO STOP THIS AT SOME POINT.

14

15 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE.

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17 **SUP. KNABE:** YES THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.
18 AND SPEAKING IN SUPPORT OF THE MOTION, I MEAN I -- THERE'S A
19 NUMBER OF ISSUES AS IT RELATES TO JOBS, HOUSING, BALANCE, AND
20 IT'S ALWAYS NOT WITHIN AN INTERNAL AREA. IF YOU LISTEN TO MOST
21 OF THE ECONOMISTS OF THE AIR, PARTICULARLY JACK KAISER, WHO IS
22 WORLD RENOWNED, HE SAYS THE SINGLE MOST IMPORTANT ISSUE FACING
23 THE ECONOMY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES COUNTY IN
24 PARTICULAR, IS NOT JOBS, BUT HOUSING. FINDING THE HOUSING
25 STOCK THAT KEEPS AN EMPLOYABLE WORK FORCE IN PLACE, KEEPS THEM



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1 HERE, KEEPS THEM COMPETITIVE WHEN PEOPLE LOOK EITHER FOR
2 EXPANSION, FOR COMMERCIAL OPPORTUNITIES OR AEROSPACE OR
3 DEFENSE CONTRACTORS, WHATEVER IT MAY BE. AND SO TO THAT
4 SPEAKER, I THINK ONE SPEAKER SAID THAT WE AS A BOARD SHOULD
5 LOOK TO THE FUTURE, AND I THINK THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT WE'RE
6 DOING, IS THAT WE HAVE AN INCREDIBLE SHORTAGE OF HOUSING. WE
7 NEED ADDITIONAL HOUSING STOCK. I THINK THE OTHER UNFORTUNATE
8 THING FOR SOME OF US IS THAT WE'RE THE RECIPIENT OF SOME --
9 YEARS AGO, SOME PLANNING EFFORTS THAT PUT US IN A DIFFICULT
10 SITUATION, FROM A HOUSING STOCK STANDPOINT AND COMPARABLE
11 DEVELOPMENT. I THINK, TO JUST SPEAK FOR MYSELF, AM ENVIOUS OF
12 THE KIND OF PLANNING OPPORTUNITIES AND WHAT THE STAFF DID AND
13 WHAT THE DEVELOPER DID, AND WOULD LOVE TO HAVE SOME OF THESE
14 WHETHER TRAILS, LAKES, OR THE CONNECTIONS IN THE HOUSING STOCK
15 WITHIN MY PARTICULAR DISTRICT. SO I COMMEND THE STAFF, I
16 COMMEND SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH'S STAFF AND THE DEVELOPER FOR
17 WORKING TOGETHER. AND TO ZEV, LAST TIME IT WAS THREE
18 AMENDMENTS AND ABSTENTIONS, SO THAT YOU STILL HAVEN'T ANSWERED
19 MY QUESTION: WHAT HAPPENS WHEN AN ENDANGERED SPECIES EATS AN
20 ENDANGERED PLANT? [LIGHT LAUGHTER]

21

22 **SUP. KNABE:** THAT WAS A JOKE. THANK YOU.

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24 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WELL, I WOULD JUST LIKE TO TAKE A FEW
25 MOMENTS. I AM CONCERNED ABOUT HOUSING, AND THERE'S NO QUESTION



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1 OF THAT, BUT I DO QUESTION THE TRAFFIC NUMBERS THAT HAVE BEEN
2 PRESENTED. LET'S ASSUME THERE ARE 21,000 HOMES AND THERE FOUR
3 RESIDENTS IN EACH ONE OF THOSE HOMES, TWO ADULTS AND TWO
4 CHILDREN. THAT AMOUNTS TO ABOUT 80,000 TRIPS GOING EACH WAY,
5 160,000 TRIPS. IF YOU HAVE 19,000 NEW JOBS AND YOU HAVE EACH
6 ONE OF THOSE COMING AND GOING, THAT'S A TOTAL OF 40,000. I
7 DON'T SEE HOW YOU GOT 387,000 TRIPS OUT OF THAT, SOME OF THE -
8 - BECAUSE OF THOSE FOUR -- THOSE 80,000, YOU HAVE TO BELIEVE
9 SOME OF THOSE CHILDREN ARE GOING TO GO TO SCHOOL IN SANTA
10 CLARITA VALLEY. YOU HAVE TO BELIEVE THAT THERE'S SOMEONE WHO
11 ACTUALLY IS GOING TO WORK IN SANTA CLARITA, OF THOSE PEOPLE.
12 SO IF YOU TAKE THE NUMBERS I HAVE BEFORE ME AND YOU -- I HAVE
13 TO SEE HOW HE MADE THOSE CALCULATIONS MYSELF, BECAUSE IF YOU
14 TAKE EVERYBODY WE'RE TALKING ABOUT --

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16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THOSE, THE DEVELOPER'S FIGURES.

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18 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** YEAH, BUT I DON'T UNDERSTAND HOW YOU GET TO
19 387 OUT OF 21,000 HOMES, UNLESS IT'S GOING TO BE LIKE IN MY
20 DISTRICT, SIX OR EIGHT PEOPLE IN EACH HOUSE, AND, YOU KNOW,
21 AND 19,000 JOBS, I DON'T SEE HOW YOU GET TO 387,000. SO, YOU
22 KNOW, I MEAN, WHAT IS THE SOLUTION TO TRAFFIC? WE HAVE TO HAVE
23 MORE RAPID TRANSIT, AND YOU KNOW, MR. YAROSLAVSKY, IT MEANS
24 WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO HAVE RAPID TRANSIT THAT IS EITHER RAIL
25 OR SOMETHING ELSE THAT MOVES PEOPLE AROUND THIS COUNTY. WE



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1 CAN'T DEPEND ON EVERYONE BEING ON THE FREEWAYS AND WE CAN'T
2 SAY TO PEOPLE, "OKAY, YOU'RE JUST GOING TO HAVE TO DOUBLE UP
3 IN YOUR HOUSES, YOU'RE NOT GOING TO BE ABLE TO HAVE ANY NEW
4 HOMES AROUND HERE BECAUSE WE JUST CAN'T ADD." NOW, I CAN
5 LISTEN TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES, AND I THINK WE HAVE TO
6 SOLVE THOSE, WE HAVE TO MAKE SURE THAT THE SPINE FLOWER IS
7 TAKEN CARE OF, WE HAVE TO MAKE SURE THAT THAT TOAD, WHEREVER
8 HE CAME FROM, IS TAKEN CARE OF, BUT IF YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT
9 THE TRAFFIC, THE TRAFFIC IS TERRIBLE BECAUSE WE DON'T
10 NECESSARILY HAVE HOUSING THAT'S AFFORDABLE WHERE PEOPLE WORK,
11 AND WHAT HAPPENS ON THE WEST SIDE IS RIGHT, A LOT OF THOSE ARE
12 SERVICE JOBS AND THEY'RE LOW-INCOME PEOPLE WHO HAVE TO GO AND
13 PROVIDE THOSE SERVICE JOBS TO ACCOMMODATE THE ENTERTAINMENT
14 INDUSTRY THAT HAS GROWN SO LARGE IN THE WEST SIDE. NOW, MOST
15 OF THOSE PEOPLE WHO HAVE MOVED INTO THOSE WEST SIDE
16 DEVELOPMENTS, WHICH ARE BASICALLY LIKE THE WATER SIDE AND
17 THOSE PLACE -- WATER GREER RATHER -- WHATEVER IT IS, THEY HAVE
18 MOSTLY ENTERTAINMENT JOBS AND THEY LIVE ON THE WEST SIDE, BUT
19 THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE TO SERVICE THEM COME FROM THE EAST SIDE.
20 THAT'S ONE REASON WHY I'VE SUPPORTED THE EAST SIDE LINE, WOULD
21 LIKE TO HAVE SEEN IT COMING UNDERGROUND SO WE WOULDN'T HAVE
22 THEM ON THE STREETS TO KILL PEOPLE. BUT ONE OF THE THINGS WE
23 HAVE TO ADDRESS IS TRANSPORTATION, IF YOU'RE CONCERNED ABOUT
24 PROVIDING FOR PEOPLE, AND WE CAN'T TURN AROUND THE NUMBERS OF
25 PEOPLE WHO ARE LIVING IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND THE NUMBERS



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1 WE'RE PROJECTING TO COME INTO LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WE HAVE TO
2 ACCOMMODATE THEM. NOW, THE DEVELOPER, IF WE DON'T HAVE THOSE
3 PEOPLE, HE WON'T BE ABLE TO SELL THEM, SO HE'S ONLY GOING TO
4 SELL, AND HE'S TAKING THAT RISK. IF WE DON'T HAVE THE
5 POPULATION, HE'S GOING TO HAVE TO TAKE THAT RISK AND HE'S
6 GOING TO LOSE THE MONEY, BUT FROM ALL OF THE THINGS THAT WE'VE
7 SEEN AND THE PROJECTIONS WE'VE SEEN, WE CAN ASSUME THAT WE'RE
8 GOING TO HAVE INCREASES IN NUMBERS IN LOS ANGELES OVER THE 20
9 YEARS, AND THIS IS 21,000 HOMES WITHIN THE NEXT 20 YEARS, IS
10 MY UNDERSTANDING. SO OVER THE NEXT 20 YEARS OF WHAT WE'RE
11 PROJECTING, WE NEED TO LOOK AT THE NUMBERS THAT PEOPLE TELL
12 US. AND I KNOW SOMETIMES THOSE DON'T TAKE PLACE, THAT YOU
13 DON'T HAVE THE EXPANSION OF POPULATION, BUT THE REALITY IS,
14 MANY TIMES IN LOS ANGELES, AND SO FAR HISTORY HAS SHOWN WE
15 CONTINUE TO GROW, SO I AM WILLING TO VOTE FOR THIS, I'M VOTING
16 FOR IT BECAUSE I KNOW WE NEED THE HOUSING. I WISH WE COULD
17 HAVE SOME MORE HOUSING IN MY DISTRICT TO TAKE CARE OF LOW-
18 INCOME PEOPLE. I FEEL COMFORTABLE THAT THERE'S MODERATE
19 HOUSING, MODERATE COST HOUSING INCLUDED IN THIS PLAN, AND FOR
20 THAT REASON I WILL BE VOTING FOR IT. WE'LL TAKE -- IS THERE
21 ANYTHING FURTHER? IF NOT, WE WILL -- SUPERVISOR MOLINA ASKED
22 FOR US TO WAIT 'TIL SHE RETURNS. NO FURTHER COMMENTS? HUH?
23 YEAH, I'VE SEEN THE MAP OF THE TOAD. ALL RIGHT. WE'LL CALL THE
24 ROLL.

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1 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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3 **SUP. MOLINA:** YES.

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5 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO.

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9 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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11 **SUP. KNABE:** AYE.

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13 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

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15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AYE.

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17 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** AND SUPERVISOR BURKE.

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19 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** AYE.

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21 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** MADAM CHAIR, THE VOTE CARRIES WITH
22 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY VOTING "NO."

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24 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THIS MATTER IS APPROVED. AND IT
25 GOES ON TO THE NEXT STEP.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THE NEXT -- WE NOW HAVE TO GO TO THE OTHER
5 PUBLIC HEARINGS.

6

7 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** MADAM CHAIR, I'LL ASK ALL THOSE WHO PLAN
8 TO TESTIFY ON ANY OF THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS TO PLEASE STAND
9 AND RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND AND BE SWORN IN. [ADMINISTERING
10 OATH]

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12 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** THANK YOU. PLEASE BE SEATED.

13

14 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. ARE -- ARE PEOPLE STANDING TO BE
15 SWORN?

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17 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** THEY WERE JUST SWORN IN.

18

19 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THEY'VE BEEN SWORN? ALL RIGHT. WE'LL CALL -
20 -

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I RELEASE MY HOLD ON 27.

23

24 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** MADAM CHAIR, ON ITEM 27, FOR THE RECORD,
25 SUPERVISOR KNABE IS VOTING "NO," BUT ALSO --



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2 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ANTONOVICH?

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4 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** YES. FOR -- THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE
5 OFFICER IS REQUESTING THAT THE ITEM BE CONTINUED FOR 30 DAYS,
6 SO THAT WOULD BE JULY 1.

7

8 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, I'M GOING TO MOVE IT CONTINUED
9 FOR 30 DAYS, AND WOULD YOU RECORD SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, YOU
10 WANTED TO BE RECORDED AS "NO" ON THE CONTINUANCE?

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NO, I HAVE NO PROBLEM WITH THE CONTINUANCE, I
13 JUST -- I WAS GOING TO VOTE NO ON THE PROJECT REPORT. [
14 INAUDIBLE].

15

16 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** YOU'LL SUPPORT THE CONTINUANCE?

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I HAVE NO PROBLEM WITH THE CONTINUANCE.

19

20 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THEN THE CONTINUANCE, IT'S
21 CONTINUED FOR 30 DAYS.

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23 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** OKAY. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

24

25 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WITHOUT OBJECTION.



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2 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** OKAY. ITEM NUMBER 1, HEARING ON
3 ANNEXATION OF SUBDIVISION TERRITORIES TO COUNTY LIGHTING
4 MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1697 AND COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT LLA-1
5 CARSON AND TO LEVY AND COLLECT ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS WITHIN THE
6 ANNEXED TERRITORIES FOR STREET LIGHTING PURPOSES, AND WE HAVE
7 NO WRITTEN PROTESTS, MADAM CHAIR.

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9 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** STAFF?

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11 **BALMAN HAJALIAKBAR:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS BALMAN
12 HAJALIAKBAR, I'M SENIOR CIVIL ENGINEER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF
13 PUBLIC WORKS. I'M FAMILIAR WITH THIS PROCEEDING FOR THE
14 ANNEXATION OF THE FOUR SUBDIVISION TERRITORIES DESCRIBED IN
15 THE BOARD LETTER 2CLMD 1697 AND COUNTY LLA-1 CARSON ZONE, AND
16 FOR THE LEVYING AND COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS WITHIN THOSE
17 SUBDIVISION AREAS. THE BASE ASSESSMENT WILL BE \$1 PER SINGLE
18 FAMILY RESIDENCE. THE CONSENT AND JURISDICTION OF THE CITY OF
19 CARSON HAS BEEN OBTAINED. IN MY OPINION, THE FOUR SUBDIVISION
20 AREAS WILL BE BENEFITED BY THE ANNEXATION AND THE SERVICE TO
21 BE PROVIDED AND THE PROPOSED ASSESSMENTS HAVE BEEN SPREAD IN
22 PROPORTION TO BENEFIT. IN THE EVENT THAT THERE ARE NO MAJORITY
23 PROTESTS IN THE FOUR AREAS, WE ARE RECOMMENDING THAT YOUR
24 BOARD ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATIONS TO ANNEX AND LEVY THE PROPOSED
25 ASSESSMENTS.



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2 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. COUNTY COUNSEL AND THE EXECUTIVE
3 OFFICER?

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5 **RICHARD WEISS, COUNSEL:** IN THE ABSENCE OF ANY TESTIMONY, IT
6 WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR YOUR BOARD TO CLOSE THE HEARING AND
7 TO TABLE THE ITEM SO THAT THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER CAN TABULATE
8 THE BALLOTS.

9

10 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IT'S BEEN MOVED AND SECONDED THAT THE
11 BALLOTS BE CALCULATED, TABULATED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
12 ORDERED.

13

14 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ITEM NUMBER 2, HEARING ON LEVYING AND
15 COLLECTION OF ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS IN COUNTY LIGHTING
16 MAINTENANCE DISTRICT LLA-1 FOR STREET LIGHTING PURPOSES, AND
17 WE HAVE NO WRITTEN PROTESTS, MADAM CHAIR.

18

19 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT STAFF?

20

21 **BALMAN HAJALIAKBAR:** MY NAME IS BALMAN HAJALIAKBAR, AND I'M
22 SENIOR CIVIL ENGINEER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I'M
23 FAMILIAR WITH THIS PROCEEDING FOR THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF
24 ANNUAL STREET LIGHTING ASSESSMENT WITHIN COUNTY LIGHTING
25 DISTRICT LLA-1 FOR ALL ZONES EXCEPT FOR PALMDALE ZONES A AND B



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1 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2003/2004 AT THE SAME RATE AS ARE BEING LEVIED
2 DURING THE CURRENT YEAR. NO INCREASES ARE PROPOSED. IN MY
3 OPINION, ALL THE TERRITORY WITHIN LLA-1 WILL CONTINUE TO BE
4 BENEFITED BY THE SERVICE PROVIDED AND THE ASSESSMENT CONTINUE
5 TO BE SPREAD IN PROPORTION TO THE BENEFITS PROVIDED TO THE
6 INVOLVED PROPERTIES. WE ARE AWARE OF NO PROTESTS.

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8 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WELL AT THIS TIME, IS THERE A MOTION TO
9 CLOSE THE HEARING?

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO MOVED.

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13 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED AND SECONDED THAT THE HEARING BE
14 CLOSED. WE WILL DIRECT THE TABULATION OF BALLOTS AND TABLE
15 THIS ITEM UNTIL LATER IN THE MEETING FOR RESULTS AND ACTION BY
16 YOUR BOARD, WITHOUT OBJECTION.

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18 **RICHARD WEISS, COUNSEL:** MADAM CHAIR ON THIS ITEM THERE ARE NO
19 BALLOTS SINCE THERE'S NO PROPOSED INCREASE IN THE ASSESSMENT,
20 SO YOUR BOARD CAN TAKE ACTION WITHOUT DOING IT.

21

22 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT IT'S BEEN MOVED AND SECONDED THAT
23 THE HEARING IS CLOSED AND IT'S MOVED AND SECONDED THAT THIS
24 ITEM BE APPROVED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** NUMBER 3, HEARING ON THE WITHDRAWAL OF
2 TERRITORIES WITHIN THE CITY OF PALMDALE EFFECTIVE JULY 1,
3 2003, AND WE HAVE NO WRITTEN PROTESTS, MADAM CHAIR.

4

5 **BALMAN HAJALIAKBAR:** MY NAME IS BALMAN HAJALIAKBAR AND I'M
6 SENIOR CIVIL ENGINEER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I'M
7 FAMILIAR WITH THIS PROCEEDING FOR THE WITHDRAWAL OF 10 AREAS
8 DESCRIBED IN THE BOARD LETTER FROM THE LIGHTING MAINTENANCE
9 DISTRICT 1687. THESE PROPERTIES HAVE BEEN ANNEXED TO THE CITY
10 OF PALMDALE AND WE ARE PROCESSING AN ANNEXATION OF THE
11 PROPERTIES TO CLMD 1616-B. IN MY OPINION, THE PROPERTY WITHIN
12 THE 10 INVOLVED AREAS WILL BE BENEFITED BY WITHDRAWAL FROM
13 CLMD 1687 AND THE REMAINDER OF THE CLMD 1687 WILL NOT BE
14 HARMED BY THE WITHDRAWAL. WE HAVE RECEIVED NO WRITTEN PROTESTS
15 TO THE PROPOSED WITHDRAWAL OF THE 10 INVOLVED AREAS.

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17 **RICHARD WEISS, COUNSEL:** MADAM CHAIR, THERE'S NO BALLOTS ON
18 THIS ONE, EITHER.

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20 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SO MOVE THAT THE HEARING BE --
21 IS THERE A MOTION? THEN MOVED AND SECONDED THAT THE HEARING BE
22 CLOSED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, THE HEARING IS CLOSED. ON THE ITEM,
23 IT'S BEEN MOVED AND SECONDED THAT THE RECOMMENDATION BE
24 APPROVED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** NUMBER 4, HEARING ON LEVYING OF FLOOD
2 CONTROL BENEFIT ASSESSMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2003/2004, AND WE
3 HAVE NO WRITTEN PROTESTS, MADAM CHAIR.

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5 **PAT DEJELLIS:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS PAT DEJELLIS, I'M THE
6 ASSISTANT DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.
7 I'M FAMILIAR WITH THESE PROCEEDINGS FOR THE LEVY OF THE ANNUAL
8 FLOOD CONTROL BENEFIT ASSESSMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2003/2004.
9 THE REPORT ON THE PROPOSED ASSESSMENTS WAS PREPARED IN MY
10 OFFICE AND UNDER MY DIRECTION. NO INCREASE IN THE BENEFIT
11 ASSESSMENT RATES ARE PROPOSED FOR THIS COMING YEAR. IN MY
12 OPINION, THE PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY REQUIRE THE
13 PROPOSED USE OF ASSESSMENTS FOR THE OPERATION, MAINTENANCE,
14 RESTORATION AND CONSTRUCTION OF FLOOD CONTROL FACILITIES AND
15 FOR COMPLIANCE WITH THE NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE
16 ELIMINATION SYSTEM, MULTIPLE STORM WATER PERMIT REQUIREMENTS,
17 BECAUSE THE OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDING AVAILABLE TO THE FLOOD
18 CONTROL DISTRICT ARE NOT ADEQUATE TO COVER THE COSTS OF THE
19 VARIOUS PROGRAMS DESCRIBED ABOVE. THE FLOOD CONTROL BENEFIT
20 ASSESSMENT CONTINUES TO BE BASED UPON THE PROPORTIONATE STORM
21 WATER RUNOFF FROM AFFECTED PARCELS AS IS SPECIFICALLY
22 AUTHORIZED BY STATE LAW, GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54715. IN MY
23 OPINION, THE PROPOSED ASSESSMENTS HAVE BEEN SPREAD IN
24 PROPORTIONATE TO BENEFIT. WE HAVE RECEIVED NO PHONE CALLS NOR
25 ANY WRITTEN PROTESTS TO THIS BENEFIT ASSESSMENT. THEREFORE, WE



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1 RECOMMEND THAT YOUR BOARD ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED
2 IN THAT REPORT.

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4 **RICHARD WEISS, COUNSEL:** IN THE ABSENCE OF ANY TESTIMONY, THE
5 MATTER IS BEFORE YOU.

6

7 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT WE MOVE THAT THERE'S A MOTION TO
8 CLOSE THE HEARING? IT'S MOVED AND SECONDED THAT THE HEARING BE
9 CLOSED. THERE -- IS THERE -- THERE'S NO NEED TO TABULATE
10 ANYTHING ON THIS, IT'S JUST THE ASSESSMENTS, JUST THE
11 ASSESSMENTS, AND MOVED AND SECONDED THAT THE ASSESSMENTS BE
12 APPROVED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. ON ITEM NUMBER 5, WE
13 HAVE A NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO HAVE ASKED TO SPEAK ON THIS.

14

15 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** AND I'LL READ THAT INTO THE RECORD, MADAM
16 CHAIR. APPEARING ON APPROVAL OF THE 2003/2008 HOUSING AND
17 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CONSOLIDATED PLAN FOR THE LOS ANGELES
18 URBAN COUNTY AND THE 2003/2004 ACTION PLAN TO ENABLE THE
19 COUNTY TO APPLY FOR, RECEIVE, AND ADMINISTER COMMUNITY
20 DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS AND
21 EMERGENCY SHELTER GRANT PROGRAM FUNDS FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT
22 OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT FOR HOUSING AND COMMUNITY
23 DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES. ALSO APPROVAL OF OTHER VARIOUS RELATED
24 ACTIONS. AND WE HAVE NO WRITTEN PROTESTS, MADAM CHAIR.

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1 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. MECHELE GORDY, JOHN ANDERSON,
2 AND GLADYS "JOHN" SMITH -- GLADYS "JOANN" SMITH.

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4 **JOHN ANDERSON:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME
5 IS JOHN WILLIAM ANDERSON, JR. THE FIRST THING I WOULD LIKE TO
6 SAY IS THE FIRST DAY OF DAD'S MONTH AND I WOULD LIKE TO THANK
7 YOU MS. YVONNE BRATHWAITE-BURKE FOR HELPING IMPROVING THIS DAY
8 FOR DADS. THE SECOND THING I WOULD LIKE TO SAY IS I WAS THE
9 INTERMEDIATE CLERK FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES WHEN I WAS
10 WRONGFULLY DISPLACED. THE SECOND THING I WOULD LIKE TO SAY, I
11 NEED IMMEDIATE SHELTER FOR MY DAUGHTER AND I, BEING THAT I AM
12 HOMELESS AS OF MAY THE 1ST. THE THIRD THING I WOULD LIKE TO
13 SAY IS THERE'S NO SHELTER FOR MEN WITH CHILDREN, A SINGLE
14 PARENT WITH CHILDREN, A MALE, IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, SO I HAVE
15 NOWHERE TO GO. OKAY. THE FOURTH THING I WOULD LIKE TO SAY IS I
16 HAVE EXHAUSTED ALL MY HOMELESS FUNDING THAT THE COUNTY
17 ALLOCATED FOR 16 DAYS, WHICH IS THEIR LIMIT. OKAY. THEY ONLY
18 GAVE YOU -- THEY SAID THEY WOULD GIVE ME PERMANENT HOUSING,
19 FIRST AND LAST MONTH'S RENT, PLUS MOVING FEES, BUT BECAUSE OF
20 MY LEGAL DISPLACEMENT, I CANNOT EVEN GET INTO AN APARTMENT.
21 OKAY? DUE TO THIS LEGAL DISPLACEMENT BY THE COUNTY. THE NEXT -
22 - THE FIFTH THING I WOULD LIKE TO SAY IS THIS ITEM TALKS ABOUT
23 EMERGENCY SHELTER GRANT, AN AMOUNT OF \$77,456,497 FOR C.D.B.G.
24 H.O.M.E. AND E.S.G., AND YET THEY HAVE NOTHING FOR ME. I AM
25 ASKING -- AND NOTHING FOR ME AND THOSE IN A SITUATION LIKE ME,



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1 SIMILAR SITUATION LIKE ME. SO I'M PLEASED THE ACTION THAT
2 DEPUTY DIRECTOR YVONNE BRATHWAITE-BURKE RESOLVE THIS ISSUE AND
3 ASSIST ME TODAY TO HAVE IMMEDIATE SHELTER FOR ME AND MY
4 DAUGHTER AS WELL AS OTHERS THAT MIGHT APPLY IN THIS SITUATION.

5

6 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. D.M.H. AND D.C.F.S. WOULD LIKE
7 TO SPEAK WITH YOU, IF YOU'D LIKE TO SPEAK WITH THEM OVER ON
8 THE SIDE.

9

10 **JOHN ANDERSON:** OKAY. THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

13

14 **MECHELE GORDY:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS MISS GORDY. LIKE
15 THIS GENTLEMAN, AN INJURED MR. ANDERSON, COUNTY WORKER, I ALSO
16 WORKED AT THE L.A. COUNTY 2707 SOUTH GRAND AS A SOCIAL WORKER,
17 AND MUCH LIKE HIM, WHEN I REQUESTED HELP AFTER I WAS CARJACKED
18 IN A CAR MY UNCLE BARRY GORDY BOUGHT ME, I DIDN'T GET IT, AND
19 SO I CAN FEEL HIS PLIGHT. WHEN I ASKED FOR HELP, I WAS ABUSED,
20 VICTIMIZED, AND MY CHILDREN TAKEN. THAT'S SINCE BEEN RESOLVED,
21 BUT NOT TOTALLY RESOLVED BECAUSE WE'RE IN LITIGATION. OKAY, MY
22 THING IS, WE'RE HERE ONCE AGAIN, AND I'VE SPOKEN ABOUT THINGS
23 THAT ARE APPROVED IN OTHER AREAS, IN OTHER COMMUNITIES, BUT IN
24 OUR COMMUNITY, IN OUR DISTRICT, WHICH I LIVE IN YOUR DISTRICT,
25 MS. BURKE, THERE IS NO PROGRAMS THAT WOULD SERVE THE NEEDS OF



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1 PEOPLE LIKE MR. ANDERSON AND OTHERS THAT ARE IN THIS
2 SITUATION. I KNOW. IT WASN'T FOR ME THEN AND I SEE IT STILL
3 ISN'T NOW. THIS IS RIDICULOUS, AND WHEN YOU'RE GIVING 70 -- OR
4 YOU'RE ASKING THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO GIVE 77 MILLION, BUT
5 IT'S NOT GOING TO SERVE THE PEOPLE THAT IT SHOULD SERVE IN OUR
6 COMMUNITY, AND FOR HIM TO GET 16 DAYS OF HOMELESS FUNDING,
7 THAT, TO ME, IS RIDICULOUS. YOU KNOW YOU CAN'T FIND A PLACE IN
8 16 DAYS. IT'S ALMOST VIRTUALLY IMPOSSIBLE, BUT THIS MAN IS
9 EXPECTED TO DO THAT, AND AT THE SAME TIME, THERE'S -- THE
10 HOMELESS SHELTERS THAT ARE THERE IN PLACE, THEY ONLY TAKE
11 WOMEN AND CHILDREN. THERE SHOULD NOT BE A DISCRIMINATION AS TO
12 WHAT GENDER THE PARENT IS OR THERE SHOULD BE, THEN, A FATHER
13 AND CHILD SHELTER FOR MEN, 'CAUSE WE KNOW THAT THERE ARE A LOT
14 OF FATHERS THAT, YOU KNOW, HAVE THEIR KIDS, AND WHEN HE GOT
15 EVICTED BECAUSE HE DIDN'T GET HIS WORKERS' COMP, THEN HE HAD
16 AN EVICTION ON HIS RECORD. SO NOW IT WILL BE EVEN HARDER FOR
17 HIM TO GET SHELTER FOR HIS CHILD, GET AN APARTMENT FOR HIS
18 CHILD BECAUSE YOU KNOW MOST LANDLORDS DON'T WANT TO TAKE A
19 PERSON THAT HAS AN EVICTION ON HIS RECORD. SO NOW THERE HE HAS
20 A PROBLEM THAT WAS BASED UPON HIM LOSING HIS JOB OR BEING
21 INJURED ON HIS JOB, NOT GETTING THE WORKERS' COMP KICKED IN
22 AND FOR THREE MONTHS AND HIM NOT BEING ABLE TO PAY HIS RENT.
23 SO THIS MAN NEEDS SOME IMMEDIATE HELP. AND I DON'T MEAN, YOU
24 KNOW, TRYING TO TAKE THE CHILD FROM HIM AND SEPARATE THEM UP,
25 BUT, YOU KNOW, I KNOW THAT THERE ARE PROGRAMS IN PLACE THROUGH



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1 FAMILY PRESERVATION, THROUGH MANY OTHER AUSPICES, AS I SEE YOU
2 GOT THE EMERGENCY SHELTER GRANTS PROGRAM, I DON'T KNOW HOW IT
3 WORKS, BUT I KNOW IT SHOULD WORK FOR HIM. 77 MILLION, THERE
4 SHOULD BE SOME -- AND THIS IS THE 29TH YEAR OF THIS PROGRAM,
5 SO AND I DIDN'T KNOW THAT IT EVEN EXISTED. I KNOW NOW, SO
6 THAT'S SOMETHING I'M GOING TO LOOK INTO. WHY WASN'T I OFFERED
7 IT? BUT WHAT I'M SAYING IS THEY SHOULD DEFINITELY GET SOME
8 HELP TODAY, AND I'M GOING TO FOLLOW THROUGH AND SEE WHAT KIND
9 OF HELP HE'S GETTING BECAUSE I THINK IT'S RIDICULOUS, AND
10 SOMEONE CONCEDED THEIR TIME TO ME, MA'AM, THAT YOU'RE TURNING
11 THE -- THE LITTLE THING ON. AND THE OTHER ISSUE I'D LIKE TO
12 SAY, MS. BURKE, I GOT A CALL FROM PAT MILLER, SHE SAID THAT
13 PROGRAM THAT YOU WERE TELLING ME ABOUT, IT DOESN'T EXIST, IT'S
14 FOR PEOPLE THAT ARE MENTALLY DISTURBED. THERE IS NO DRUG
15 PROGRAM IN OUR DISTRICT THAT SERVES JUVENILES MY CHILD'S AGE,
16 ADAM GORDY'S AGE. SO, YOU KNOW, I JUST WANTED TO FOLLOW UP ON
17 THAT, AND ALSO SPEAK UP ABOUT THIS YOUNG MAN'S PROBLEM, 'CAUSE
18 I WON'T BE HERE ON THE 10TH WHEN YOU GUYS DO HAVE THE COUNTY
19 PROBATION ISSUE COME BACK UP, BUT I DO WANT TO SAY THAT WHEN
20 IT COMES TO THAT TIME, HOPEFULLY THIS PROBLEM WILL BE RESOLVED
21 BECAUSE SO FAR, NOTHING IN OUR COMMUNITY, THERE'S NO PROGRAMS
22 FOR MY KIDS, SO HERE'S ANOTHER PROGRAM. THERE'S NO FUNDS,
23 THERE'S NO PROGRAM THERE, BUT YET FEDERAL FUNDS ARE STEADILY
24 BEING TAKEN AND THESE PROGRAMS ARE BEING SAID TO BE SET UP,
25 BUT THIS IS NOT HAPPENING, AND I AM REALLY UPSET BECAUSE MY



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1 CHILD HAS BEEN DEPRIVED OF HAVING PROGRAMS. THIS MAN AND HIS
2 CHILD IS BEING DEPRIVED OF HAVING SHELTER, AND HERE'S FEDERAL
3 FUNDS THAT ARE COMING IN FOR THAT PARTICULAR PURPOSE.

4

5 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. UH-HUH,
6 GLADYS JOANN SMITH.

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8 **GLADYS JOANN SMITH:** MY NAME IS GLADYS JOANN SMITH AND I'M
9 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE RESIDENT COUNCIL AT UGIMA VILLAGE
10 WHERE I'VE LIVED FOR 30 YEARS. I'M ADDRESSING PARAGRAPH 4 ON
11 PAGE 10. I'VE BEEN TOLD ON NUMEROUS OCCASIONS BY C.D.C.,
12 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, THAT WE ARE NON-CONVENTIONAL
13 HOUSING, SO WE WERE NOT SUBJECT TO FUNDS THAT COULD PROVIDE
14 FOR OTHERS. BUT MY QUESTION THEN WOULD BE WHY ARE WE ALWAYS
15 ASKED, THE RESIDENT COUNCIL, ASKED TO SIGN OFF ON THESE FUNDS,
16 AND H.U.D. SOLD, I KNOW FOR A FACT, H.U.D. SOLD FOR A DOLLAR
17 TO THE HOUSING AUTHORITY IN '95 WITH THE COVENANT TO KEEP THEM
18 LOW-INCOME HOUSING FOR 20 YEARS, SO TO ME WHY WOULD H.U.D.
19 SELL SOMETHING TO C.D.C. AND WON'T GIVE THEM ANY MONEY TO
20 MAINTAIN THAT PROPERTY. THAT DOES NOT MAKE SENSE. I BELIEVE
21 THAT THEY SHOULD NOT -- I BELIEVE THAT C.D.C. SHOULD NOT BE
22 SELF-MONITORED. I BELIEVE THEY SHOULD BE MONITORED BY AN
23 INDEPENDENT MONITOR WELL INFORMED AS TO THE LAWS AND THAT KIND
24 OF THING, AND THAT THE RESIDENTS OF ESPECIALLY UGIMA VILLAGE
25 BECAUSE I LIVE THERE AND I HAVE CONCERN FOR MY NEIGHBORS, THE



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1 RESIDENTS THERE, SHOULD BE MONITORED BY OTHER THAN C.D.C.
2 'CAUSE THEY REPORT TO US, THEY REPORT TO YOU, BUT I THINK THAT
3 SOMEONE INDEPENDENT NEED TO REPORT SO WE CAN HAVE A GREATER
4 UNDERSTANDING OF WHERE WE STAND. WE'RE GOING TO BE SOLD. WE
5 HAD TO FIND THAT OUT UNDERCOVER. WE FOUND THAT OUT, WE WROTE
6 TO EVERYBODY AND THEN WE ENLISTED IT, HELP FROM OTHER
7 GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES AND WE WERE -- WE SAT IN SEVERAL
8 MEETINGS AND NUMEROUS C.D.C. PEOPLE WERE THERE AND EXPLAINED
9 THEIR SIDE. BUT HOW DO YOU MONITOR YOURSELF? OF COURSE YOU'RE
10 NOT GOING TO GIVE YOURSELF A BAD REPORT. RIGHT? I MEAN, THAT
11 JUST DOESN'T MAKE SENSE. YOU DON'T EXPECT --

12

13 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WELL, WE HAVE AN AUDITOR WHO IS INDEPENDENT
14 WHO REVIEWS IT AND WE GET BAD REPORTS ALL THE TIME. ALL THE
15 TIME.

16

17 **GLADYS JOANN SMITH:** OH, AND YOU GET BAD REPORTS AND THEN THEY
18 ARE NEVER RESOLVED. WELL IT WASN'T ANY GOOD TO HAVE THE BAD
19 REPORTS IN THE FIRST PLACE.

20

21 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, WELL, YOU KNOW --

22

23 **GLADYS JOANN SMITH:** OKAY, AND -- AND I THINK THAT WE NEED TO
24 BE -- I THINK THAT SOMEONE NEEDS TO ADDRESS THE RESIDENTS AT
25 THESE COMPLEX AND UGIMA IS NOT THE ONLY ONE, SOUTH BAY



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1 GARDENS, AND SENIORS, IT'S ALL KINDS OF THINGS THAT ARE GOING
2 ON THAT NEED TO BE ADDRESSED BECAUSE WE'RE HUMAN BEINGS, AND
3 WHEN YOU GET INTO PEOPLE BUSINESS, WE OUGHT TO TALK ABOUT YOUR
4 HELPING PEOPLE RATHER THAN HELPING INSTITUTIONS.

5

6 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WELL OKAY, MY RECOLLECTION IS WHEN IT WAS
7 SOLD TO COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT, THEY THEN GOT A LOAN FOR A
8 CERTAIN AMOUNT TO DO CERTAIN REHAB. THEY DID THAT, BUT THEY
9 DID NOT -- AND THEY DO NOT GET, AND MAYBE THE LAW CHANGED
10 AFTER THAT TIME, I'M NOT SURE HOW IT WAS OR WHETHER IT WAS
11 EVER CONTEMPLATED THAT THEY WOULD GET ONGOING MAINTENANCE
12 MONEY, BUT THE REALITY IS THEY DON'T QUALIFY UNDER THE PRESENT
13 LAW FOR THE MAINTENANCE FUNDS AND THE ONLY WAY THE FUNDS CAN
14 COME IN IN ORDER FOR THAT PLACE TO BE TOTALLY REDONE, WHICH IT
15 HAS TO BE, IT HAS TO BE TOTALLY REHABILITATED, AND WE ALL
16 RECOGNIZE THAT, AND THEY'VE SET UP A SCHEDULE FOR
17 REHABILITATION, IT'S BEEN SET UP, SO BUT THAT ULTIMATELY WHAT
18 HAS TO HAPPEN IS IT'S PROBABLY GOING TO HAVE TO BE SOLD SO
19 THAT THE MONEYS CAN COME IN FROM H.U.D. TO BE ABLE TO TOTALLY
20 REHABILITATE IT. BUT THERE ARE PEOPLE HERE FROM C.D.C. AND I
21 KNOW THEY'LL SPEAK TO YOU ABOUT IT.

22

23 **GLADYS JOANN SMITH:** AND IT JUST NEEDS TO BE THAT THE RESIDENTS
24 WOULD KNOW WHAT WAS GOING ON AND WHAT IS GOING ON.

25



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1 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** AND IF THE RESIDENTS, RIGHT, WE WILL MAKE
2 SURE THAT THE RESIDENTS -- I WASN'T AWARE THAT THEY DIDN'T
3 KNOW IT WAS BEING SOLD BECAUSE I THOUGHT EVERYONE I TALKED TO
4 THERE AT UGIMA WAS AWARE --

5

6 **GLADYS JOANN SMITH:** EVENTUALLY WE LEARNED --

7

8 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WHEN WE WERE OVER THERE FOR THE -- YOU
9 KNOW, FOR THE COMPUTER CENTER OPENING, I THOUGHT EVERYONE
10 THERE AT THAT TIME KNEW ABOUT IT.

11

12 **GLADYS JOANN SMITH:** OH, NO. WE DID NOT FIND OUT UNTIL AT LEAST
13 TWO MONTHS AGO, AND IT WAS ON THE TABLE, AND THEN WE DID
14 ADDRESS IT IN A LETTER, AND YOUR OFFICE SHOULD HAVE RECEIVED
15 THAT LETTER, A COPY OF THAT, TO CARLOS JACKSON.

16

17 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU.

18

19 **GLADYS JOANN SMITH:** THANK YOU SO MUCH.

20

21 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT THANK YOU, ALL RIGHT. MICHELLE
22 LEE AND SOLOMON TANNER AND WARREN WILLIAMS. I WOULD SAY -- I'M
23 NOT SURE, LET'S TRY TODAY, ASK -- YES. MISS LEE, WOULD YOU GO
24 FIRST? AND SOLOMON TANNER, WHERE IS HE? OH. HE CONCEDED HIS
25 TIME. OKAY FINE, ALL RIGHT. I'M GOING TO ASK YOU TO GO FIRST



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1 BECAUSE MR. WILLIAMS HAS THREE ITEMS AND I'M GOING TO ASK HIM
2 TO SPEAK ON ALL THREE AT ONE TIME. YES?

3

4 **MICHELLE LEE:** OKAY. I'M REFERRING TO PAGE 11, PARAGRAPH 2,
5 PLUS THE RESTRUCTURING OF THE MONEYS AND STUFF THAT'S
6 ALLOCATED OR THAT YOU'RE TRYING TO GET FROM H.U.D. OR WHATEVER
7 FOR THE DISTRESSED AREAS IN SOUTH SCATTERED SITES, WHICH IS
8 THE MAIN NEED OF RECONSTRUCTING FOR THEIR PLUMBING AND THE
9 SENIOR CITIZEN DEVELOPMENT WITH -- IT NEEDS GREAT
10 REHABILITATION OVER THERE FOR THE SENIORS WHEN THEY START
11 REALLOCATING MONEY AND GETTING MONEY FROM H.U.D.

12

13 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WELL, WE HAVE TO CONTINUE FOLLOWING UP ON
14 THOSE FUNDS, YOU KNOW, WE DON'T HAVE THEM, BUT THEY -- THOSE
15 GO DIRECTLY FROM H.U.D. TO THE OWNER.

16

17 **MICHELLE LEE:** YEAH, BECAUSE THE SENIORS OVER THERE ARE REALLY,
18 REALLY LIVING MUCH WORSE THAN YOU THINK ON PAPER, AND PICTURES
19 WERE GIVEN BUT THIS IS --

20

21 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** RIGHT. AND THEY HAVEN'T CORRECTED THOSE
22 THINGS?

23

24 **MICHELLE LEE:** NO.

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1 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I THOUGHT -- THEY CORRECTED THE GATE,
2 DIDN'T THEY?

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4 **MICHELLE LEE:** NO.

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6 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THEY DID NOT CORRECT THE GATE?

7

8 **MICHELLE LEE:** NO, THE DOORS EITHER, THE DOORS EITHER.

9

10 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** OKAY, ALL RIGHT. SHE'LL SPEAK TO YOU ABOUT
11 THAT. I DON'T KNOW WHETHER THEY HAVE -- DO THEY HAVE THE
12 AUTHORITY OVER THAT SENIOR CENTER? I'M NOT SURE THAT THEY HAVE
13 THE POSSIBILITY, BUT SOMEONE FROM OUR OFFICES WILL GO BACK AND
14 SPEAK TO YOU AND CHECK ON IT AGAIN.

15

16 **MICHELLE LEE:** AND THEN THE PLUMBING. YOU CAN CHECK WITH YOUR
17 CLAIMS DEPARTMENT OF HOW MANY CLAIMS HAVE BEEN PUT IN BECAUSE
18 OF THE PLUMBING AND THE PIPES AND STUFF.

19

20 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT. THEY HAVE THE LIST OF THE
21 REHAB THEY'RE DOING. OKAY. THEY'LL GIVE YOU THE REHAB NOW, AND
22 A LIST OF IT.

23

24 **MICHELLE LEE:** THANK YOU.

25



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1 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MR. WILLIAMS?

2

3 **WARREN WILLIAMS:** YES, ON ITEM NUMBER 5, THE FIRST THING I'D
4 LIKE TO DO IS STATE AN OPPOSITION TO THAT ITEM, AND THE REASON
5 BEING IS OUR CONCERN FOR HOW THE FUNDS ARE APPROPRIATED.
6 YOU'VE ALREADY HEARD A COMMUNICATION OF A FATHER WHO CANNOT
7 FIND EMERGENCY HOUSING. WE'VE BEEN BEFORE THE BOARD PREVIOUSLY
8 ON THE SAME ISSUE REQUESTING THAT A SHELTER WILL BE MADE IN
9 L.A. COUNTY. AND ALONG AS AN ASSISTANCE TO THAT WE CALL THE
10 INFO LINE WHO INFORMED US THAT THERE IS NO HOUSING AVAILABLE
11 FOR FATHERS WITH CHILDREN. THEY DID MENTION THAT THERE'S ONE
12 THAT'S IN LONG BEACH AND ONE IN POMONA. THE ONE IN LONG BEACH
13 IS NOT AVAILABLE BECAUSE THEY DON'T WANT PEOPLE IN L.A. BEING
14 REFERRED THERE, AND THE ONE IN POMONA HAS NO AVAILABILITY FOR
15 HOUSING. THERE'S SO MANY PEOPLE THAT WE COULD SPEAK TO ON THIS
16 MATTER. THE PROPOSAL THAT WE SUBMITTED ON MAY 14TH TO MAY THE
17 20TH, WE'RE ASKING AGAIN THAT IT BE INCORPORATED INTO THIS. WE
18 ALSO MOVE IT TO ANOTHER STAFF AND WE HOLD THAT THERE NEEDS TO
19 BE AN AFRICAN-AMERICAN DEPARTMENT WITHIN THIS COUNTY, BECAUSE
20 ALL THESE FUNDS, AND HERE WE'RE TALKING ABOUT \$77 MILLION FOR
21 HOUSING, AND WE REALIZE THAT THERE'S A LOT OF PEOPLE THAT DO
22 BENEFIT FROM SECTION 8 AND OTHER HOUSING, BUT STILL, THERE'S
23 TOO MUCH HOMELESSNESS AND LOW-INCOME PEOPLE NEEDING A LOT MORE
24 HOUSING THAN WHAT'S AVAILABLE. AND A LOT OF PEOPLE THAT'S HAD
25 HOUSING NOW, THE QUALITY OF LIVING IS UNACCEPTABLE, IT'S IN



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1 CONDITIONS THAT ARE NOT APPROPRIATE. THIS PAST SATURDAY WE
2 WERE OVER AT TED HAYES WHO HAD AN EVENT TAKING PLACE, AND WE
3 OBSERVED THAT IN DOME VILLAGE, A GREAT PERCENTAGE OF THOSE
4 PEOPLE ARE WHITE AMERICANS. RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER FROM DOME
5 VILLAGE ARE A GROUP OF AFRICAN-AMERICANS LIVING UNDER THE
6 FREEWAY. AND AGAIN, I MEAN, THE PROBLEM THAT HERE SHOULD BE
7 EVIDENT TO THIS BOARD, AND IT DOES RELATE TO --

8

9 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** BRING THAT UP WITH TED HAYES, YOU KNOW.

10

11 **WARREN WILLIAMS:** I'M SORRY?

12

13 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WELL DOESN'T TED HAYES HAVE AUTHORITY OVER
14 -- TED HAYES I THOUGHT HAD AUTHORITY OVER WHO LIVES AT DOME
15 VILLAGE

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17 **WARREN WILLIAMS:** WELL AND I'M NOT SURE EXACTLY, IT'S
18 SOMETHING THAT I'M GOING TO HAVE TO LOOK MORE INTO BECAUSE THE
19 FIRST TIME I ACTUALLY VISITED RIGHT AT THAT SITE AND I WAS SET
20 BACK KNOWING THE POPULATION OF THE HOMELESS TO BE SO HIGH IN
21 AFRICAN-AMERICANS AND HISPANICS IN THAT IMMEDIATE COMMUNITY,
22 THAT AGAIN, IT HAS SUCH A HIGH NUMBER OF WHITES THERE, BUT
23 IT'S EVEN A BIGGER PROBLEM THAN THAT AGAIN, AND THAT IS THAT A
24 DOME IS NOT A HOME, AND THE CONDITIONS OF THIS LOW-INCOME
25 HOUSING OR THE ABSENCE OF HOUSING AFFECTS THE QUALITY OF



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1 LIVING THAT A HIGH POPULATION OF L.A. COUNTY RESIDENTS
2 EXPERIENCE, AND HOUSING CAN ADDRESS THAT AND HOUSING IS ABSENT
3 OF RECREATIONAL FACILITIES FOR OUR CHILDREN, IT IS ABSENT OF
4 THE TYPE OF ENVIRONMENT THAT'S CONDUCIVE FOR LEARNING.

5

6 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. ON ITEM 5, YOUR TIME HAS
7 ELAPSED. WOULD YOU LIKE TO -- AND WE'RE GOING TO TAKE A VOTE
8 ON THAT, THEN I'M GOING TO ASK YOU TO SPEAK ON ITEM 18, OR DO
9 YOU WANT THE SAME THING TO GO ON FOR 18 AND 40? IS YOUR
10 TESTIMONY FOR 18 AND 40 AS WELL?

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12 **WARREN WILLIAMS:** 18 AND 40?

13

14 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** UH-HUH.

15

16 **WARREN WILLIAMS:** 40-B IS A DIFFERENT ITEM SOME IT'S STILL
17 RELATED TO THIS, AND 18 IS SOMEWHAT RELATED.

18

19 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SO YOUR TESTIMONY, WE'LL HAVE IT ON 18
20 ALSO? THE TESTIMONY YOU'VE GIVEN?

21

22 **WARREN WILLIAMS:** WELL, THEY ARE DIFFERENT, AND I WILL MAKE
23 DIFFERENT STATEMENTS IN RELATION TO 18.

24



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1 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, WE'LL TAKE THE -- IT'S BEEN --
2 ON ITEM NUMBER 5, IT'S MOVED BY MOLINA, SECONDED BY
3 ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

4

5 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** AND MADAM CHAIR, ITEM 5 SHOULD ALSO
6 INCLUDE AGENDAS 1-D AND 1-H. THEY'RE RELATED.

7

8 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ON -- AND THAT INCLUDES AGENDA 1-D AND 1-H.
9 WITHOUT OBJECTION, THOSE ITEMS, IT'S MOVED BY MOLINA, SECONDED
10 BY ANTONOVICH. THOSE ITEMS ARE APPROVED AS WELL. ALL RIGHT.
11 NOW, UNDER 18, MR. WILLIAMS?

12

13 **WARREN WILLIAMS:** I WOULD JUST LIKE AN AMENDMENT OR CORRECTION
14 TO THAT ONE, JUST THOSE TWO WORDS, 1-D AND 1-H, AND MY
15 STATEMENT WOULD HOLD FOR THOSE TWO ITEMS.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA:** MADAM CHAIR?

18

19 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** YES?

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA:** WE NEED TO RING BELLS AROUND HERE. I'M TRYING TO
22 DO AN AMENDMENT ON WHAT YOU JUST PASSED.

23

24 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** OH, ON 5? I'M SORRY, OKAY. WE'LL GO BACK TO
25 5. I'M SORRY. MOVE FOR RECONSIDERATION.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** I HAVE A MOTION THAT I PASSED OUT. WE HAD ALREADY
3 APPROVED THIS BUT I NEED TO FORMALLY PUT IT IN THE BUDGET AND
4 THAT'S INCREASING THE FUNDING --

5

6 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IT'S RECONSIDERED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
7 ORDERED.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO ORDERED. OKAY. AND THE MOTION IS TO INCREASE
10 FUNDING FOR THE SALVATION ARMY BELL SHELTER AS OUTLINED IN OUR
11 FISCAL YEAR PLAN BY 50,000 FROM 33 TO 83,000 USING OUR FIRST
12 DISTRICT UN-PROGRAM C.D.B.G. FUNDS.

13

14 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SECONDED BY ANTONOVICH. SO AS
15 AMENDED, MOVED BY MOLINA, SECONDED BY ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT
16 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. AND I-D AND I-H ARE INCLUDED IN THAT
17 MOTION. MOVED BY MOLINA, SECONDED BY ANTONOVICH ON THOSE TWO
18 ITEMS AS WELL. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. ALL RIGHT. OKAY.
19 18, MR. WILLIAMS?

20

21 **WARREN WILLIAMS:** ITEM NUMBER 18 HAS TO DO WITH A SPECIAL
22 WAIVER FOR A CERTAIN PROGRAM AND PEOPLE PARKING THERE AT
23 EDELMAN'S COURT. AGAIN, WE'RE ASKING AGAIN THAT THAT WHERE WE
24 SHOULD EXTEND TO ALL PARENTS AND PEOPLE GOING TO THAT COURT.
25 PEOPLE ARE OFTEN UNDER THE IMPRESSION THERE'S NOWHERE ELSE TO



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1 PARK, SO THEY'VE GOT A CAPTURED AUDIENCE TO REALLY RIP PEOPLE
2 OFF WHO HAS TO PAY PARKING WHEN THEY GO TO THAT COURT, AND
3 IT'S UNFAIR BECAUSE THEY'RE ORDERED BY THE COURT TO BE THERE,
4 SO THEY SHOULDN'T HAVE THE ADDITIONAL BURDEN TO HAVE TO PAY
5 FOR PARKING WHEN THEY GO THERE.

6

7 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. ON 18, IT'S MOVED BY
8 YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
9 ORDERED. ON 40-B?

10

11 **WARREN WILLIAMS:** OKAY. YES. ON 40-B, WITH NO DISRESPECT TO
12 ARMENIAN TRAGEDY THAT'S INDICATED HERE, ON BEHALF OF THE
13 AFRICAN-AMERICAN POPULATION, HOWEVER, WE REQUEST THAT THIS BE
14 EXTENDED IN ANOTHER FORUM BECAUSE IT'S OFTEN THE AFRICAN-
15 AMERICANS WHO IS THE LAST IN THESE TYPE OF THINGS, WE'RE
16 IGNORED, DENIED AND REJECTED. FOR A LONG TIME NOW, THE
17 AFRICAN-AMERICAN POPULATION HAS BEEN ASKING FOR REPARATIONS,
18 AND WE ASK THAT THIS COUNTY WOULD TAKE A FAR MORE ACTIVE STAFF
19 IN GIVING AFRICAN-AMERICANS REPARATIONS. THE TRAIL OF GENOCIDE
20 OF AFRICAN AMERICANS AND AWARENESS OF THE BLACK HOLOCAUST IN
21 THIS COUNTRY, IT GOES THROUGH THE FOUNDING OF AMERICA, THE
22 AMERICA REVOLUTION, THE CIVIL WAR, THE RECONSTRUCTION ERA, THE
23 CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT AND STILL EXISTS TODAY. SO IT'S LIKE
24 IT'S EAGER WITH IMMIGRANTS AND OTHERS TO RECOGNIZE THEIR
25 TRAGEDY AND THEIR PLIGHT, BUT IT WOULD -- THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN



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1 POPULATION IS STILL OFTEN IGNORED IN THE REALITIES THAT
2 THEY'RE STILL SUFFERING, LIKE THE ISSUE OF THE DISADVANTAGED
3 HOUSING AND THINGS THAT WE JUST ADDRESSED. PEOPLE CAN DRIVE-
4 THROUGH DOWNTOWN AND OTHER LOCATIONS AND JUST SHOVE IT OFF AND
5 SAY, "WELL, THAT'S NORMAL FOR THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN POPULATION
6 TO SUFFER IN THE MANY DIFFERENT FORMS, THAT STILL THESE
7 TRAGEDIES PRESENT THEMSELVES ARE MANIFESTED." SO THEREFORE,
8 AGAIN, WHILE IT SEEMS SOMEWHAT OFF IT IS QUIET RELEVANT, AND
9 AGAIN, THAT THROUGHOUT THE 1915 TO 1923, AFRICAN-AMERICANS
10 SUFFERED MUCH AND IT SHOULD NEVER BE IGNORED, EVEN THOUGH I
11 UNDERSTAND THAT THIS SPECIFICALLY FOCUSED ON THE ARMENIAN
12 POPULATION. WE ASK THAT THERE STILL BE AN INCLUSION OF THE
13 BLACK HOLOCAUST.

14

15 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY MOLINA.
16 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. THE NEXT ITEM IS ITEM 6, ON THE
17 HEARINGS.

18

19 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** HEARING ON UPDATE TO THE DEVELOPMENT --
20 DEVELOPER FEE PROGRAM, THE DEVELOPER FEE DETAILED FIRE STATION
21 PLAN, AND APPROVAL OF THE 2002/2003 DEVELOPER FEE, UPDATE FEE,
22 CALCULATION SUMMARY. WE HAVE NO WRITTEN PROTESTS, MADAM CHAIR.

23

24 **BARBARA HERRERA:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS BARBARA HERRERA
25 AND I'M THE CHIEF OF THE PLANNING DIVISION FOR THE



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1 CONSOLIDATED FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT. THE UPDATED FIRE
2 STATION PLAN WAS PREPARED IN OUR OFFICE AND UNDER MY
3 DIRECTION. WE ARE PROPOSING AN INCREASE IN THE DEVELOPER FEE
4 FROM 19.97 CENTS TO 37.16 CENTS PER SQUARE FOOT TO REFLECT
5 CURRENT COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH LAND ACQUISITION, FIRE STATION
6 CONSTRUCTION, APPARATUS, AND EQUIPMENT COSTS AND
7 ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES. THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AUDITOR
8 CONTROLLER HAS REVIEWED AND APPROVED THE PROPOSED FEE. IN MY
9 OPINION, THERE IS A REASONABLE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE USE OF
10 THE ADJUSTED FEE AND THE DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS ON WHICH THE FEE
11 WILL BE IMPOSED. THERE IS ALSO A REASONABLE RELATIONSHIP
12 BETWEEN THE AMOUNT OF THE ADJUSTED FEE AND THE COST OF THE
13 FACILITIES AND OPERATIONAL EXPENSES TO BE FUNDED BY THE
14 DEVELOPER FEE. WE HAVE RECEIVED NO PROTESTS.

15

16 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT THE -- AT THIS TIME, IT WOULD BE
17 APPROPRIATE TO CLOSE THE HEARING AND DIRECT -- THERE'S NO
18 TABULATIONS WERE NECESSARY IN THAT IS -- ARE THERE?

19

20 **RICHARD WEISS, COUNSEL:** NO, MADAM.

21

22 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. IT'S MOVED BY YAROSLAVSKY,
23 SECONDED BY KNABE -- I'M SORRY. LET ME CHECK THAT. MOVED BY
24 YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
25 ORDERED. ITEM 7?



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2 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** HEARING TO VACATE WITH RESERVATIONS A
3 PORTION OF CONSTITUTION AVENUE IN THE UNINCORPORATED STEVENSON
4 RANCH AREA, AND WE HAVE NO WRITTEN PROTESTS, MADAM CHAIR.

5

6 **CARLITO CRYSTABAL:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS CARLITO
7 CRYSTABAL, I AM AN INDUSTRIAL ENGINEER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF
8 PUBLIC WORKS. I HAVE INVESTIGATED A PROPOSED VACATION OF THE
9 COUNTY EASEMENT INTEREST IN A PORTION OF CONSTITUTION AVENUE
10 IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF STEVENSON RANCH. IN MY OPINION,
11 THE INVOLVED PORTION OF CONSTITUTION AVENUE IS NOT NECESSARY
12 FOR PRESENT OR PERSPECTIVE PUBLIC USE. THE EXISTING EASEMENT
13 FOR UTILITIES WILL BE RESERVED TO SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON
14 COMPANY, THE GAS COMPANY AND VALENCIA WATER COMPANY. AN
15 EASEMENT PARTIALLY FOR THE SEWER AND THE PERTINENT STRUCTURES
16 WILL ALSO BE RESERVED TO THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. WE ARE
17 AWARE OF NO WRITTEN PROTESTS TO THE PROPOSED VACATION.

18

19 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. MOVE THAT THE HEARING BE CLOSED
20 BY ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY YAROSLAVSKY. AND THAT THE MATTER BE
21 APPROVED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

22

23 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ITEM NUMBER 8, HEARING TO VACATE WITH
24 RESERVATIONS PORTIONS OF PATHFINDER ROAD IN THE UNINCORPORATED



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1 ROWLAND HEIGHTS AREA, AND WE HAVE NO WRITTEN PROTESTS, MADAM
2 CHAIR.

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4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THE MOTION TO CLOSE THE HEARING BY
5 SUPERVISOR KNABE --

6

7 **RICHARD WEISS, COUNSEL:** I'M SORRY, MADAM CHAIR, THERE IS A
8 VERY BRIEF STAFF PRESENTATION.

9

10 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** OH I'M SORRY. STAFF PERSON OVER HERE, I
11 DIDN'T LISTEN TO YOU.

12

13 **RAFAEL MACHUCA:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS RAFAEL MACHUCA, I
14 AM A SENIOR SURVEY MAPPING TECHNICIAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF
15 PUBLIC WORKS. I HAVE INVESTIGATED THE PROPOSED LOCATION OF THE
16 COUNTY'S EASEMENT INTEREST IN PORTIONS OF PATHFINDER ROAD IN
17 THE VICINITY OF ROWLAND HEIGHTS. IN MY OPINION, THE INVOLVED
18 PORTIONS OF PATHFINDER ROAD ARE NOT NECESSARY FOR PRESENT OR
19 PROSPECTIVE PUBLIC USE. EXISTING EASEMENTS FOR UTILITIES WILL
20 BE RESERVED TO SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY AND THE GAS
21 COMPANY. AN EASEMENT FOR COVER STORM DRAIN AND THE PERTINENT
22 STRUCTURES IN INGRESS AND EGRESS WILL BE RESERVED TO THE
23 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT. ALSO A FUTURE
24 STREET RESERVATION TO THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES WILL BE MADE.
25 WE ARE AWARE OF NO WRITTEN PROTESTS TO THE PROPOSED VACATION.



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2 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. IT'S MOVED BY KNABE, I'M SORRY,
3 IT'S SECONDED BY MOLINA THAT THE HEARING BE CLOSED AND THIS
4 MATTER BE APPROVED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

5

6 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ITEM NUMBER 9, COMBINED HEARING ON LOCAL
7 PLAN AMENDMENT ZONE CHANGE AND CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT, CASE
8 NUMBER 022862 AND NEGATIVE DECLARATION RELATING TO PROPERTY
9 LOCATED AT 1819, 1821 WEST 120TH STREET IN THE WEST ATHENS,
10 WESTMONT ZONE DISTRICT AND THE WEST ATHENS WESTMONT COMMUNITY
11 STANDARDS DISTRICT, PETITIONED BY ALLIANCE PROPERTY GROUP,
12 INC. WE HAVE NO WRITTEN PROTESTS, MADAM CHAIR, AND WE DO HAVE
13 SPEAKERS SIGNED UP FOR THIS ITEM.

14

15 **RUSSELL PICANO:** MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, GOOD
16 AFTERNOON, I'M RUSSELL PICANO OF THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL
17 PLANNING. AND SITTING TO MY LEFT IS NUSHINE PIDER, ALSO WITH
18 THE DEPARTMENT. THIS IS A REQUEST FOR A LOCAL PLAN AMENDMENT
19 TO THE WEST ATHENS, WESTMONT COMMUNITY PLAN. THE REQUESTED
20 AMENDMENT IS A CHANGE IN LAND USE DESIGNATION FROM OPEN SPACE
21 TO COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL, 2.2 OF 3.3 ACRES OF PROPERTY. ZONE
22 CHANGE CASE NUMBER 022862 AS A RELATED REQUEST FOR A CHANGE IN
23 ZONE FROM O.S., OR OPEN SPACE, TO C. 2, OR NEIGHBORHOOD
24 BUSINESS, TO C-3DP, UNRESTRICTED COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT
25 PROGRAM. THIS REQUEST ALSO INCLUDES A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT,



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1 022862 TO ACCOMMODATE THE CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION AND
2 MAINTENANCE OF AN OFFICE BUILDING, PARKING STRUCTURE, AND
3 SURFACE PARKING LOT WITH A MODIFICATION OF HEIGHT OF THE WEST
4 ATHENS, WESTMONT COMMUNITY STANDARD DISTRICT FROM 40 FEET TO
5 61 FEET. THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IS A 3.3-ACRE TRIANGULAR SITE
6 LOCATED AT 1819 TO 1821 WEST 120TH STREET IN THE WEST ATHENS,
7 WESTMONT -- IN THE WEST ATHENS, WESTMONT ZONE DISTRICT. THE
8 PROPERTY IS LOCATED SOUTH OF THE CENTURY FREEWAY AND SOUTHERN
9 PACIFIC RAILROAD AND NORTH OF THE CHESTER L. WASHINGTON GOLF
10 COURSE. THE SITE IS CURRENTLY USED AS AN EQUIPMENT STORAGE
11 YARD, AND AN ABANDONED SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE PROPOSED FOR
12 DEMOLITION IS LOCATED ON THE EASTERLY SIDE OF THE PARCEL. AND
13 THERE'S A DOUBLE-SIDED BILLBOARD ALSO LOCATED ON THE EASTERLY
14 PORTION OF THE SITE. THE SITE PLAN FOR THE PROJECT DEPICTS A
15 FOUR-STORY OFFICE BUILDING AND A SIX-LEVEL, 550-SPACE PARKING
16 STRUCTURE AND THERE IS A 45-SPACE SURFACE PARKING AREA AND
17 ACCESS ROAD FOR THIS DEVELOPMENT AND THE GOLF COURSE. THE
18 PROPOSED OFFICE BUILDING TOTALS 106,000 SQUARE FEET AND IT'S
19 LOCATED ON THE EASTERN CORNER OF THE LOT ALONG WESTERN AVENUE.
20 THE PARKING STRUCTURE IS 164,400 SQUARE FEET AND IT'S LOCATED
21 WEST OF THE OFFICE BUILDING IN THE MIDDLE OF THE PARCEL.
22 ACCESS TO THE SITE IS SHOWN FROM WESTERN AVENUE TO THE EAST.
23 THE PROPOSED PROJECT IS A PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP WITH
24 THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES AND THE ALLIANCE PROPERTY
25 GROUP. THE ALLIANCE PROPERTY GROUP PROPOSED TO ENTITLE AND



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1 DEVELOP THE PROPERTY TO BE LEASED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL
2 SERVICES FOR 30 YEARS. REGARDING THE HEIGHT MODIFICATION, THE
3 FEDERAL AVIATION ASSOCIATION -- ADMINISTRATION AND STAFF OF
4 LOS ANGELES COUNTY AIRPORT LAND USE COMMISSION WERE CONSULTED,
5 AND THERE IS NO IMPACT ON AIR SAFETY THAT WAS IDENTIFIED. THE
6 AMENDMENT OF THE LOCAL PLAN FROM O.S. TO COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL
7 ACCOMMODATES THE BUILDING AS A WIDE VARIETY OF RETAIL AND
8 SERVICE USES ARE PERMITTED IN THIS CATEGORY. THE INITIAL STUDY
9 INDICATED THAT THERE IS NO SUBSTANTIAL EVIDENCE THAT THE
10 PROJECT WILL HAVE A SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT, AND
11 THE PROJECT WAS GRANTED A NEGATIVE DECLARATION UNDER THE
12 CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT. THE COMMISSION FOUND
13 THAT THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT AND ZONE CHANGE WAS COMPATIBLE
14 WITH THE GOALS AND POLICIES AS THE WEST ATHENS, WESTMONT
15 COMMUNITY PLAN BY ENHANCING THE PHYSICAL CHARACTER AND
16 ECONOMIC VIABILITY OF THE COMMUNITY, PROVIDING INFILL AND
17 DEVELOPMENT OF VACANT AND UNDERUTILIZED PARCELS, ENCOURAGING
18 THE LOCATION OF MAJOR COMMERCIAL USES IN AREAS ACCESSIBLE TO
19 MAJOR TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES, AND THAT CONCLUDES MY
20 PRESENTATION.

21
22 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WE HAVE TWO PEOPLE WHO HAVE
23 INDICATED OPPOSITION. SHIRLEY A. SMITH AND HELEN MONDY. WOULD
24 YOU BOTH PLEASE COME FORWARD? OH I'M SORRY. STATE YOUR NAME
25 FIRST AND THEN YOUR OPPOSITION.



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2 **HELEN MONDY:** MY NAME IS HELEN MONDY. I'M -- GOOD AFTERNOON,
3 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS HELEN MONDY, I'M FROM THE
4 122ND STREET HALLDALE BLOCK CLUB, REPRESENTING FOUR OTHER
5 BLOCK CLUBS. OUR CONCERNS REGARDING THE BUILDING AND ITS
6 IMPACT ON OUR COMMUNITY ALONG WITH TWO SCHOOLS BEING RIGHT
7 THERE, A COLLEGE AND A SCHOOL, A DAY CARE CENTER, AND A
8 NIGHTCLUB. THE ADDITIONAL TRAFFIC ISSUES WERE OUR CONCERN. ONE
9 OF OUR MAIN CONCERNS WERE -- IS THAT WE KNEW NOTHING ABOUT
10 THIS, NOTHING AT ALL. WE'RE THE ONES THAT LIVE RIGHT THERE AT
11 THIS, AND THIS IS OUR CONCERNS, WE'VE GOTTEN SOME ANSWERS
12 BECAUSE THE BUILDER'S HERE, AND HE WHISPERED TO US DURING YOUR
13 MEETING WHILE IT WAS GOING ON, HE HAS ALSO AGREED TO MEET WITH
14 US AND GIVE US THE INFORMATION. MY REQUEST WAS TO POSTPONE THE
15 -- AND NOT SOLVE THE WHOLE ISSUE AND HE WILL GIVE US THE
16 ANSWERS THAT WE NEED. OUR MAIN CONCERNS IS THE IMPACT ON OUR
17 COMMUNITY. THAT'S VERY IMPORTANT TO US.

18

19 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IS THERE ANY PROBLEM WITH PUTTING THIS OVER
20 ONE WEEK? IS THERE -- THERE'S NO PROBLEM WITH PUTTING THIS
21 OVER ONE WEEK, IS THERE?

22

23 **RICHARD WEISS, COUNSEL:** NO, MADAM CHAIR, YOU MAY CONTINUE IT
24 ONE WEEK OR MORE.

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1 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** OKAY WOULD HE -- WELL HE'S COMING UP, AND
2 LET ME SEE IF HE CAN AGREE TO MEET WITH YOU AND THEN WE CAN
3 PUT IT OVER TO NEXT WEEK.

4

5 **HELEN MONDY:** THAT WOULD BE GREAT.

6

7 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THE NEXT SPEAKER, WOULD YOU LIKE TO?

8

9 **BRIAN DAHALL:** SUPERVISOR BURKE, GOOD AFTERNOON, I'M HERE MORE
10 OR LESS SUPPORTING MY BLOCK PRESIDENT. MY NAME IS BRIAN
11 DAHALL, JUST A NEIGHBOR, MEMBER OF THE COMMUNITY.

12

13 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. ALL RIGHT. DID YOU -- WHAT WOULD
14 YOU -- WHAT IS YOUR POSITION ON IT?

15

16 **HARLEY SEARCY:** MADAM CHAIR, THIS ITEM IS, I BELIEVE, ON THE
17 ACTUAL UNDERLYING LEASES ON FOR NEXT WEEK, THIS ITEM HAS
18 ACTUALLY BEEN MOVED AROUND ON THE AGENDA A COUPLE TIMES
19 BECAUSE WE DIDN'T WANT TO HAVE ANY ISSUES ON THE LEASE PRIOR
20 TO HAVING ALL OF THE ENTITLEMENT WORK DONE. IN THE CASE AT
21 HAND, THIS BLOCK CLUB IS ACTUALLY A MEMBER OF THE LARGER
22 ORGANIZATION WHICH WE CONTACTED OVER A YEAR AGO, AND THERE'S A
23 LETTER ON FILE. THE SPECIFIC CONCERNS THAT THEY HAD DISCUSSED
24 WITH ME EARLIER HAD TO DO WITH THEY WERE UNAWARE THAT THERE



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1 WAS A PARKING STRUCTURE ON THE WEST SIDE OF THE PROPERTY.

2 THERE WAS ONE, AND THERE MAY BE MORE.

3

4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME.

5

6 **HARLEY SEARCY:** YEAH I'M SORRY, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. HARLEY
7 SEARCY FROM ALLIANCE PROPERTY GROUP. THE ISSUE OF THE PARKING
8 STRUCTURE, AS I EXPLAINED TO THEM, WAS ONE OF THEIR SPECIFIC
9 ITEMS. THE ISSUE OF HOW THE TRAFFIC WOULD COME IN WAS
10 CERTAINLY ANOTHER ONE. I DO UNDERSTAND THEIR CONCERNS, BUT
11 ACTUALLY THEY HAD INDICATED SOME ISSUE WITH THE PARENT
12 ORGANIZATION HOLDING A MEETING AND APPARENTLY SOMEHOW ONE
13 BLOCK CLUB DIDN'T GET THE INFORMATION, BUT THERE WAS OVER
14 CLOSE TO A HUNDRED PEOPLE THAT CAME FROM THE COMMUNITY THAT
15 WERE NOTIFIED. THE SCHEDULE THAT WE ARE ON THIS WOULD HAVE A
16 SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THE SCHEDULE WE'RE TRYING TO KEEP FOR
17 THE DEVELOPMENT IF THIS MATTER IS CONTINUED. I WOULD STILL
18 MEET WITH THEM AND ALLAY THEIR FEARS, BUT ACTUALLY, I BELIEVE
19 I'VE ALREADY BEGUN TO ADDRESS THAT. I'M WILLING TO ANSWER ANY
20 SPECIFIC QUESTIONS THAT THEY HAVE.

21

22 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WELL, YOU SAY THAT NEXT WEEK THE LEASE IS
23 ON?

24



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1 **HARLEY SEARCY:** YES, FOR THE FOLLOWING TUESDAY, THIS COMING
2 TUESDAY.

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4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** NEXT TUESDAY, OR THE TUESDAY AFTER THAT OR?

5
6 **HARLEY SEARCY:** YES, MA'AM.

7
8 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** OR THE TUESDAY AFTER THAT?

9
10 **HARLEY SEARCY:** JUNE THE 2ND.

11
12 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** JUNE 2ND. ALL RIGHT. WELL, IT SHOULDN'T
13 INTERFERE WITH THAT. WE'LL JUST -- JUST FROM EVERYTHING THEY
14 SAY, IF YOU SIT DOWN AND MEET WITH THEM, IT SHOULD BE OKAY.

15
16 **HARLEY SEARCY:** WELL THE ONLY THING THAT I WOULD HAVE IN TERMS
17 OF A CONTINUANCE, I'VE OFFERED TO MEET WITH THEM AND THEY TOLD
18 ME JULY WAS THEIR NEXT MEETING.

19
20 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WELL WE'D HAVE TO HAVE IT WITHIN
21 THE NEXT WEEK. I THINK THEY INDICATED THAT THEY WOULD -- YOU
22 CAN'T MEET WITHIN THE NEXT WEEK? COULD SOMEONE COME FORWARD?
23 APPARENTLY THEY'VE MET WITH MOST OF THE BLOCK CLUBS, BUT YOU -
24 - IT'S NOT POSSIBLE FOR REPRESENTATIVES OF YOUR BLOCK CLUB TO
25 MEET WITHIN -- BETWEEN NOW AND NEXT TUESDAY? I DON'T MIND



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1 CONTINUING IT IF YOU CAN JUST -- IF YOU CAN ARRANGE TO MEET
2 WITHIN THE NEXT WEEK.

3

4 **HELEN MONDY:** WELL, I THINK OUR MAIN CONCERN WAS SINCE THERE
5 ARE NUMEROUS OF BLOCK CLUBS THAT ARE INVOLVED, WE WOULD NEED
6 TIME TO GET INFORMATION OUT TO THEM FOR THE MEETING.

7

8 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SEE, MY UNDERSTANDING IS THAT THEY HAD MET
9 WITH THE COORDINATING GROUP FOR THE AREA AND SOME OF THE BLOCK
10 CLUBS ALREADY, BUT SOMEHOW YOUR BLOCK CLUB WAS NOT INCLUDED?
11 WAS THAT WHAT HAPPENED?

12

13 **HELEN MONDY:** THAT IS TRUE.

14

15 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** YOU CAN'T MEET WITHIN THE NEXT WEEK?

16

17 **HARLEY SEARCY:** I'LL MEET WITH YOU TONIGHT, I MEAN, WHENEVER
18 IT'S CONVENIENT WITH YOU. I'LL MEET WITH YOU THIS EVENING BUT
19 THAT --

20

21 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WHEN DOES YOUR CLUB MEET?

22

23 **HELEN MONDY:** WELL, WE HAD A MEETING A COUPLE WEEKS AGO -- A
24 WEEK AGO, RATHER, AND WE ADDRESSED OUR CONCERN THEN, SO WE
25 JUST BASICALLY JUST FOUND OUT. WE WERE UNAWARE.



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2 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, WELL SEE IF YOU CAN'T GET AS
3 MANY PEOPLE TOGETHER, A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE BLOCK CLUB, I
4 WILL CONTINUE THIS OVER FOR A WEEK, TO GIVE A CHANCE FOR --
5 FOR YOU TO GET, BUT I CAN'T DO IT TO JULY BECAUSE WE CAN'T
6 HOLD UP THE NEXT PROCESS ON IT. BUT WE WANT YOU TO GET ALL THE
7 INFORMATION.

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9 **HELEN MONDY:** AND WHEN WOULD THE NEXT PROCESS BE?

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11 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** NEXT TUESDAY.

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13 **HELEN MONDY:** NEXT TUESDAY.

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15 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** JUNE 3RD.

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17 **HELEN MONDY:** JUNE 3RD.

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19 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IF YOU COULD JUST SOMEHOW SET UP --

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21 **HELEN MONDY:** WE'LL -- WE'LL TRY AND WORK IT.

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23 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT TRY TO WORK WITH IT, OKAY I'LL --
24 THIS WILL CONTINUE THIS FOR ONE WEEK.

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1 **HARLEY SEARCY:** MADAM CHAIR?

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3 **DAVID MOSS:** MADAM CHAIR, IF I MAY, I'M DAVID MOSS, PRINCIPAL
4 OF MOSS AND ASSOCIATES, WE ARE THE LAND USE PLANNING FIRM THAT
5 HAS HANDLED THE ENTITLEMENT PROCESS ON BEHALF OF ALLIANCE
6 PROPERTY GROUP, I'M VERY PLEASED TO BE HERE TODAY. I JUST WANT
7 TO MAKE SURE THAT THE RECORD REFLECTS THAT ONE, THE APPLICANT
8 HAS AGREED TO ALL OF THE CONDITIONS, APPROXIMATELY 15 COUNTY
9 AGENCIES HAVE PROVIDED EXTENSIVE COMMENTS ON THIS PROJECT, I'M
10 SURE TO MR. YAROSLAVSKY'S HAPPINESS TO HEAR IT, THERE'S BEEN A
11 MAJOR TRAFFIC STUDY DONE, THERE'S EIGHT INTERSECTIONS BEEN
12 LOOKED AT, THERE ARE OFFSITE MITIGATION MEASURES THAT HAVE
13 BEEN AGREED TO. THIS PROJECT ALSO HAD A THOUSAND FOOT RADIUS,
14 WHICH IS QUITE UNUSUAL IN THE COUNTY, IT ONLY HAPPENS WHEN THE
15 DEVELOPER IS QUITE INTERESTED IN MAKING SURE THAT ALL POSSIBLE
16 INTERESTED PARTIES HAVE BEEN ADVISED, AND THAT'S THE NOTICING
17 THAT WAS DONE, USUALLY IT'S 500 FOOT RADIUS NOTICE. AS WELL
18 THE ADJACENT CITY OF HAWTHORNE, WHICH IS QUITE DISTANT, WAS
19 QUITE WELL OF AWARE OF THE PROJECT AND ALSO HAD THEIR CONCERNS
20 MITIGATED. WE CERTAINLY WANT TO APOLOGIZE PUBLICLY FOR ANY
21 CONFUSION BUT THE SOUTHWEST HOMEOWNER ASSOCIATION HAS DONE AN
22 EXCELLENT JOB OF OUTREACH AND WE'RE JUST KIND OF CAUGHT
23 SURPRISED THAT THERE'S ANY SPONSOR GROUPS OR OTHER INTERESTED
24 BLOCK GROUPS THAT WERE NOT NOTIFIED. THEY'RE NOT ON ANY KIND



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1 OF LISTS MAINTAINED BY REGIONAL PLANNING SO I KNOW THAT
2 PLANNING STAFF WILL WANT TO NOTE THAT.

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4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, WE'LL HAVE TO MAKE SURE THAT
5 THEIR NAMES AND WOULD YOU GET YOUR NAMES AND ADDRESS TO
6 REGIONAL PLANNING SO WE -- YOU AREN'T MISSED THE NEXT TIME,
7 BECAUSE EVERYONE IN THE AREA GETS NOTICE OF THESE BUT AND
8 BEFORE YOU GO, WE WOULD -- I HAVE -- I HAVE YOUR NAMES AND WE
9 WILL MAKE SURE THAT REGIONAL PLANS HAS IT SO IF THERE IS
10 ANYTHING ELSE THAT YOU GET NOTICE OF IT.

11

12 **DAVID MOSS:** AND IF I ALSO MAY ADD ONE THING. THIS -- THE
13 PARKING IN THIS LOCATION WOULD NORMALLY BE APPROXIMATELY 200
14 SPACES. THE APPLICANT IS BUILDING A FAIRLY MAJOR PARKING
15 STRUCTURE TO ACCOMMODATE 600 OFF-SITE SPACES SO THERE CAN'T
16 POSSIBLY BE A PARKING PROBLEM OFF-SITE OF THE 3.3 ACRE
17 PROPERTY. WE'RE JUST HAPPY TO LET YOU KNOW THAT PARKING WILL
18 NOT BE AN ISSUE FOR YOU.

19

20 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, WE'LL CONTINUE IT ONE WEEK.

21

22 **HARLEY SEARCY:** THANK YOU.

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24 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ITEM NUMBER TEN, COMBINED HEARING ON ZONE
25 CHANGE AND CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT CASE NUMBER 021735 AND ON



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1 NEGATIVE DECLARATION RELATING TO PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2061
2 SOUTH MOUNTAIN AVENUE, DUARTE, DUARTE ZONE DISTRICT PETITIONED
3 BY HENRY NUNEZ. WE HAVE NO WRITTEN PROTESTS MADAM CHAIR.

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5 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, NO STAFF PERSON TO MAKE A
6 RECOMMENDATION...

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8 **SPEAKER:** MADAM CHAIR, SITTING TO MY LEFT IS KAREN SIMMONS OF
9 THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING. THE APPLICANT'S
10 REQUESTING A CHANGE OF ZONE FROM A-1, LIGHT AGRICULTURE TO
11 R3DP, LIMITED MULTIPLE RESIDENCE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM, ON THE
12 SUBJECT PROPERTY TO ACCOMMODATE THE CONSTRUCTION OF A 17-UNIT
13 APARTMENT BUILDING. THE ADDITION OF THE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM
14 ADDENDUM TO THE PROPOSED ZONE WILL ENSURE THAT THE DEVELOPMENT
15 OCCURRING AFTER THE PROPERTY HAS BEEN REZONED WILL CONFORM TO
16 PLANS SUBMITTED BY THE APPLICANT THROUGH THE CONDITIONAL USE
17 PERMIT PROCESS. CONCURRENT WITH THIS REQUEST THE APPLICANT IS
18 REQUESTING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO AUTHORIZE THE
19 CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF A TWO-STORY, 17-
20 UNIT APARTMENT BUILDING, ON A .46 ACRE PARCEL. THE APARTMENTS
21 ARE PROPOSED TO BE COMPRISED OF FOUR BUILDINGS THAT ARE
22 CONNECTED BY EXTERIOR STAIRWAYS AND TRELLISES. AN EXISTING
23 SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE WILL BE DEMOLISHED IN ORDER TO
24 CONSTRUCT THE PROPOSED APARTMENT BUILDINGS. THE SUBJECT
25 PROPERTY IS LOCATED AT 2061 SOUTH MOUNTAIN AVENUE IN THE



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1 UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF DUARTE IN THE DUARTE ZONED
2 DISTRICT. AND THAT CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATION.

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4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, IT'S MOVED BY ANTONOVICH,
5 SECONDED BY KNABE THAT THE HEARING BE CLOSED AND THAT THIS
6 MATTER BE APPROVED WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

7

8 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** NUMBER 11, COMBINED HEARING ON ZONE
9 CHANGE AND CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT CASE NUMBER 990205 AND
10 TENTATIVE TRACT MAP NUMBER 528295 AND MITIGATED NEGATIVE
11 DECLARATION RELATING TO PROPERTY LOCATED AT THE TERMINUS OF
12 URBANDALE AVENUE AND FRANWOOD AVENUE IN THE CANYON COUNTRY
13 COMMUNITY. NEWHALL ZONE DISTRICT PETITIONED BY DENTEC
14 HOLDINGS, INC. WE HAVE NO WRITTEN PROTEST MADAM CHAIR.

15

16 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WE'LL TAKE THOSE OPPOSED FIRST, TERRY
17 WIBBLES, FIRST WE'LL HEAR FROM THE STAFF, AND THEN WE'LL TAKE
18 THE OPPOSED. AND I'LL -- THEY CAN START COMING DOWN. TERRY
19 WIBBLES, GERALDINE MAUROVICH AND LES BLEILER.

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21 **ELLEN FITZGERALD:** GOOD AFTERNOON SUPERVISORS, ELLEN FITZGERALD
22 WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING. THE 75-ACRE PROJECT
23 SITE IS LOCATED AT THE TERMINUS OF URBANDALE AVENUE AND
24 FRANWOOD DRIVE IN THE CANYON COUNTRY COMMUNITY OF THE SANTA
25 CLARITA VALLEY. SURROUNDING THE PROPERTY TO THE SOUTH AND EAST



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1 ARE ESTABLISHED NEIGHBORHOODS, WHILE THE AREA TO THE NORTH IS
2 COMPRISED OF NEWER DEVELOPMENTS, IN AN AREA UNDERGOING RAPID
3 URBANIZATION. ALSO ADJACENT TO THE SOUTH OF THE SITE IS A
4 PROPERTY OWNED BY THE SAUGUS UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT WHERE A
5 SCHOOL IS PROPOSED TO START CONSTRUCTION IN THE NEAR FUTURE.
6 THE TENTATIVE MAP DEPICTS A CLUSTERED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT
7 OF 95 SINGLE-FAMILY LOTS. THE PROJECT ALSO INCLUDES AN OPEN-
8 SPACED LOT OF APPROXIMATELY 18 ACRES WITH THE HIKING TRAIL
9 EASEMENT AND A TWO ACRE PARK. ACCESS TO THE PROJECT IS SHOWN
10 FROM FRANWOOD DRIVE AS WELL AS A STREET EXTENSION FROM THE
11 TRACT TO COPPERHILL DRIVE. NO ACCESS TO THE PROJECT WILL BE
12 PROVIDED BY URBANDALE AVENUE. THE PROJECT'S OVERALL DENSITY IS
13 APPROXIMATELY 1.3 UNITS PER ACRE, WHICH IS CONSISTENT WITH THE
14 LAND USE DESIGNATIONS ESTABLISHED FOR THE PROJECT BY THE SANTA
15 CLARITA VALLEY AREA PLAN AND GENERALLY LOWER THAN THE
16 DEVELOPMENT DENSITY OF THE SURROUNDING NEIGHBORHOODS. HOWEVER
17 A ZONE CHANGE IS REQUIRED TO IMPLEMENT THE PROJECT DESIGN AND
18 IS PART OF THE REQUEST. THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
19 DISCUSSED THIS PROJECT ON SIX OCCASIONS. THE COMMISSION
20 CONTINUED THE HEARING A NUMBER OF TIMES TO ALLOW THE APPLICANT
21 TO RESPOND TO ISSUES RAISED BY SURROUNDING NEIGHBORS AS WELL
22 AS THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA'S STAFF. THE PROJECT WAS
23 REDESIGNED DURING THE PUBLIC HEARING TO INCORPORATE THE TWO-
24 ACRE PARK AT TRAILS WITHIN THE OPEN-SPACED LOT, UTILIZED MORE
25 SENSITIVE GRADING TECHNIQUES AND TO ELIMINATE THE ACCESS FROM



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1 URBANDALE AVENUE. THE COMMISSION ALSO HEARD THE APPLICANT
2 AGREE TO WORK WITH THE SAUGUS UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT TO DO
3 GRADING WHICH WOULD BE MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL. A MITIGATED
4 NEGATIVE DECLARATION WAS PREPARED FOR THE PROJECT AND IT HAS
5 BEEN DETERMINED THAT THE PROJECT WILL NOT RESULT IN A
6 SIGNIFICANT IMPACT WITH IMPLEMENTATION OF REQUIRED MITIGATION
7 MEASURES. AND THAT CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATION.

8

9 **DENNIS HUNTER:** MY NAME IS DENNIS HUNTER FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF
10 PUBLIC WORKS. IF THERE IS ANY QUESTIONS THAT THE BOARD MAY
11 HAVE RELATED TO PUBLIC WORKS ITEMS, I'D BE HAPPY TO ANSWER
12 THEM.

13

14 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME, YES.

15

16 **TERRY WIBBLES:** HI, MY NAME IS TERRY WIBBLES AND I LIVE AT THE
17 VERY END OF URBANDALE, RIGHT WHERE AGAINST WHERE THE
18 CONSTRUCTION IS GOING TO TAKE PLACE. ONE MAJOR CONCERN THAT I
19 HAVE, THAT I THINK HAS BEEN SETTLED BUT I'M STILL NOT SURE,
20 THAT URBANDALE WAS GOING BE A CUL-DE-SAC AND WAS NOT GOING TO
21 GO THROUGH TO THIS, BUT I -- AGAIN I'M STILL -- I WOULD LIKE
22 THAT TO DEFINITELY -- I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW IF THAT'S STILL THE
23 CASE. AND ALSO I'VE ALSO HEARD THERE'S ANOTHER STREET THAT'S
24 BEEN PROPOSED TO GO THROUGH BY BOUQUET SCHOOL AND I'M NOT
25 QUITE SURE IF THAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN. WHICH OUR MAIN CONCERN,



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1 LIVING ON URBANDALE, IT GOES RIGHT BY ROSEDALE, WHICH THE
2 SCHOOL IS OLDER, IT'S IN A COMMUNITY WHERE IT JUST DOESN'T
3 HAVE THE DROP-OFF FOR THE CHILDREN. IT'S DEFINITELY A VERY
4 BUSY INTERSECTION. THE CONCERN WAS THAT WE WOULD -- DIDN'T
5 WANT URBANDALE TO GO THROUGH 'CAUSE IN ORDER TO GET TO
6 BOUQUET, WHICH IS THE MAIN STREET, YOU WOULD HAVE TO GO RIGHT
7 BY ROSEDALE. THEY WERE GOING TO CLOSE IT, THAT'S FINE, BUT NOW
8 THEY'RE GOING TO OPEN THIS OTHER STREET WHICH AGAIN WILL DUMP
9 RIGHT ON TO URBANDALE, WILL GO RIGHT BY THE SCHOOL, THERE WAS
10 NO OTHER WAY OUT. SO I WANTED TO FIND OUT IF THAT WAS GOING TO
11 HAPPEN. AND -- AND AFTER THE TRAFFIC REPORTS THAT WERE DONE AT
12 ONE OF OUR MEETINGS, THAT THAT STREET IS, IF I'M NOT MISTAKEN,
13 TWO TIMES OVER CURRENTLY THE TRAFFIC THAT TRAVELS DOWN
14 URBANDALE THAT IT WAS ORIGINALLY STRUCTURED FOR. AND, YOU
15 KNOW, WE STILL HAVEN'T GOT AN ANSWER ON THIS. BETWEEN THE CITY
16 OF SANTA CLARITA, THE 75 ACRES OF HILLSIDE PROPERTY, THEY
17 WANTED 20 HOMES, WAS WHAT THEY WANTED TO DO, AND THE REGIONAL
18 PLANNING COMMISSION APPROVED 95 HOMES. I'M JUST NOT
19 UNDERSTANDING WHY, YOU KNOW, THIS ONE VISION ONE VALLEY, WHICH
20 I KNOW STILL IS NOT COMPLETELY IN PLACE BUT WHY THAT THESE
21 TWO, BETWEEN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES AND THE CITY OF SANTA
22 CLARITA, WHY THEY CAN'T WORK TOGETHER MORE ON THAT TO COME TO
23 SOME SORT OF AGREEMENT THAT WILL FIT EVERYBODY. I'M NOT ASKING
24 FOR HOMES TO NOT BE PUT THERE. I KNOW THIS IS SOMEBODY'S
25 PROPERTY THAT THEY OWN IT, THEY WANT TO BUILD ON. BUT IN ORDER



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1 TO DO WHAT THEY WANT TO DO THEY'RE GOING TO HAVE TO FLATTEN
2 HILLS. AND I HAVE PICTURES HERE. ONE OF THE HILLS BACKS UP TO
3 A PARK, WHICH IS ON THE OTHER SIDE OF MY PROPERTY. IF YOU WERE
4 TO TAKE THAT HILL DOWN, 'TIL PROBABLY 9:30, 10:00 O'CLOCK AT
5 NIGHT, DEPENDING ON THE SPORTING EVENT, THOSE LIGHTS ARE ON.
6 IT IS SO BRIGHT, AND IF THEY WERE TO FLATTEN THIS HILL TO
7 ACCOMMODATE THESE HOMES, MY CONCERN JUST PERSONALLY IS THE
8 AMOUNT OF LIGHT THAT'S GOING TO COME IN TO THE BACK OF MY
9 PROPERTY. AND ALSO, AND I HAVE A PICTURE HERE SHOWING WHERE MY
10 HOUSE IS AND THE HILLSIDE, THEIR PROPERTY, NOT UNLESS THIS IS
11 GOING TO BE FLATTENED BUT IT WOULD BE SITTING ON TOP OF MINE,
12 I WANTED TO KNOW, YOU KNOW, ARE THEY GOING TO PUT TWO-STORY,
13 HOW ARE THEY GOING TO FIT ABOVE? I -- THOSE ARE QUESTIONS I
14 STILL HAVE NOT GOT AN ANSWER FROM THE VERY FIRST MEETING THAT
15 I WENT TO WITH THE BOARD, AND --

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17 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THERE ARE SOME PEOPLE HERE THAT I THINK
18 SHOULD BE ABLE TO --

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20 **TERRY WIBBLES:** THAT WOULD BE GREAT.

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22 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** TO ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS AND MEANWHILE
23 WE'LL HEAR FROM THE OTHER TWO PEOPLE. THE APPLICANT -- COULD
24 SOMEONE GO THROUGH AND RESPOND TO HER QUESTIONS?

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1 **TERRY WIBBLES:** AND IT'S LOT 94, 95 AND 88 JUST TO MAKE IT
2 EASY, THAT ARE MY CONCERN.

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4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT YES? PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME.

5 GERALDINE MAUROVICH: EXCUSE ME, GERALDINE MAUROVICH, M-A-U-R-
6 O-V AS IN VICTOR, I-C-H, AND I JUST HAVE A FEW WORDS TO SAY. I
7 WOULD LIKE TO IMPORE THE BOARD TO PLEASE CONSIDER THE WATER
8 SITUATION IN ALL OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA BECAUSE EVERY YEAR IT
9 SEEMS LIKE WE'RE TOLD MORE TO CONSERVE WATER AND HERE THEY'RE
10 BUILDING, YOU KNOW, HOUSES LEFT AND RIGHT. AND IF IT, YOU
11 KNOW, IF WE DON'T GET THE SNOW, IT DOESN'T MELT, WE DON'T GET
12 THE WATER, THEN WE HAVE THE DROUGHT. ALSO WE HAVE TO TAKE INTO
13 CONSIDERATION ABOUT THE SEWER, THAT THE NEW HOMES, THE SEWERS
14 ARE GOING TO BE IMPACTING THE MAIN SEWER THAT GOES OUT BOUQUET
15 CANYON. SO THAT SHOULD ALSO BE CONSIDERED. THANK YOU FOR YOUR
16 TIME.

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18 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME PLEASE.

19

20 **LES BLEILER:** I'M LES BLEILER AND EVERYTHING HAS BEEN COVERED
21 SO I'LL HAVE NO FURTHER COMMENT.

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23 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT --

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** JUST LET ME ASK THE STAFF, SOME OF THOSE
2 QUESTIONS ON THE ROADS.

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4 **SPEAKER:** WITH REGARDS TO URBANDALE THE LATEST TENTATIVE MAP
5 HAS BEEN REVISED TO SHOW A CUL-DE-SAC AT URBANDALE.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY, SO CUL-DE-SAC, THERE.

8

9 **TERRY WIBBLES:** THAT'S WONDERFUL.

10

11 **SPEAKER:** IS THAT LIKE FOREVER OR FOR TWENTY YEARS OR?

12

13 **SPEAKER:** IT'S DESIGNED AS A PERMANENT CUL-DE-SAC.

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15 **TERRY WIBBLES:** AND DO YOU KNOW IS THERE GOING TO BE ANOTHER
16 STREET THAT'S GOING TO -- IT'S BASICALLY GOING TO GO BY
17 BOUQUET SCHOOL, BY WELLSTON, I MEAN DO YOU SEE THAT ON THERE,
18 WHICH IF I'M NOT MISTAKEN I CAN TELL YOU THE LOT NUMBERS.

19

20 **SPEAKER:** YEAH THE SCHOOL DISTRICT PROPERTY TO THE SOUTH THERE
21 IS A TAP STREET THAT COMES FROM THE SUBDIVISION TO THE NORTH.
22 THAT WOULD BE CURRENTLY THE ONLY ACCESS THAT THE SCHOOL
23 DISTRICT WOULD HAVE AND WE DON'T KNOW OF ANY SITE DEVELOPMENT
24 PLANS FOR THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AS TO WHERE ELSE THEY WOULD BE
25 TAKING ACCESS OFF OF.



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2 **TERRY WIBBLES:** OKAY.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME ASK, WHY IS THE ZONING ON THE PROPERTY
5 DIFFERENT THAN THAT PERMITTED BY THE GENERAL PLAN?

6

7 **ELLEN FITZGERALD:** OKAY THE LAND USE DESIGNATIONS WERE
8 ESTABLISHED FOR THE PROPERTY AS PART OF A LARGER UPDATE TO THE
9 SANTA CLARITA PLAN BACK IN 1990. THE ZONING OF THE PROPERTY
10 WAS NOT UPDATED TO REFLECT THE CHANGES AT THAT TIME AND THE
11 EXISTING A-22 ZONING IS ACTUALLY THE SITE'S ORIGINAL ZONING,
12 WHICH WAS ADOPTED IN 1957. IT'S NOT UNUSUAL FOR A PLAN UPDATE
13 TO REFLECT CURRENT OR ANTICIPATED DEVELOPMENT BUT TO LEAVE THE
14 ZONING AS-IS WITH THE EXPECTATION THAT FUTURE DEVELOPMENT
15 APPLICANTS WOULD DO THE ZONE CHANGE PROCESS.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WHAT IS BENEFITS TO THE SAUGUS UNION
18 SCHOOL DISTRICT TO MAKE THE DECISION ON THIS IF THIS PROJECT
19 IS APPROVED?

20

21 **ELLEN FITZGERALD:** WELL THE SCHOOL DISTRICT WILL RECEIVE THE
22 COST SAVINGS, SINCE THE DISTRICT WON'T BE REQUIRED TO DO ITS
23 OWN GRADING FOR THE PROPOSED SCHOOL SITE'S NORTHERLY ACCESS.
24 THERE MIGHT BE SOME EXPEDITED PROCESSING AS WELL WITH THAT,



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1 AND THE APPLICANT HAS ALSO AGREED TO PROVIDE A PAYMENT OF
2 \$100,000 FOR PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WAS THERE SIGNIFICANT TESTIMONY AT THE
5 REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION?

6

7 **ELLEN FITZGERALD:** THERE WERE APPROXIMATELY I THINK A TOTAL OF
8 TEN NEIGHBORS WHO ACTUALLY SPOKE DURING THE PROCESS BUT THERE
9 WERE NUMEROUS WRITTEN COMMENTS WHICH WERE SUBMITTED.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE ISSUE OF THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
12 CITY OF SANTA CLARITA, DID THEY ATTEND THE REGIONAL PLANNING
13 COMMISSION OR SUBMIT WRITTEN COMMENTS?

14

15 **ELLEN FITZGERALD:** THE CITY SUBMITTED WRITTEN COMMENTS AND
16 STAFF DID ATTEND HEARING AND ADDRESSED THE COMMISSION.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHICH ISSUES DID THE CITY RAISE?

19

20 **ELLEN FITZGERALD:** THEY RAISED ISSUES RELATED TO THE PROJECT'S
21 PROPOSED DENSITY, THE NEED TO INCORPORATE USABLE RECREATIONAL
22 AREAS AND THAT GRADING SHOULD BE MORE SENSITIVE TO THE
23 EXISTING LAND FORM.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND HOW DID THE APPLICANT MITIGATE THE CITY
2 AND THE -- AND THE COMMUNITY'S CONCERNS THAT WERE RAISED?

3

4 **ELLEN FITZGERALD:** THE APPLICANT DID MEET WITH THE CITY STAFF
5 AND WITH RESIDENTS AND THE PROJECT WAS DESIGNED -- REDESIGNED
6 TO INCLUDE THE HIKING TRAIL WITHIN THE OPEN-SPACE LOT, ADDED
7 THE TWO-ACRE PARK AND THE GRADING CHANGES WERE MADE AS WELL.
8 THE APPLICANT DIDN'T PROPOSE THE LOSS OF ANY LOTS, WHICH WAS
9 AN ISSUE THE COMMUNITY WAS CONCERNED ABOUT, ESPECIALLY. BUT
10 DESIGN CHANGES TO ACCOMMODATE THE ELIMINATION OF ACCESS TO
11 URBANDALE DID RESULT IN THE LOSS OF TWO LOTS, ORIGINALLY 97
12 LOTS WERE PROPOSED.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND DID THE APPLICANT WORK WITH THE CITY ON
15 THE ISSUES BEING RAISED IN GOOD FAITH TO MITIGATE THEM?

16

17 **ELLEN FITZGERALD:** I THINK THEY DID, YES I DO.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE CUL-DE-SAC IS THERE PERMANENT? IS
20 THAT CORRECT?

21

22 **ELLEN FITZGERALD:** THE MAP IS CONDITIONED, YEAH THAT IS A
23 PERMANENT CUL-DE-SAC.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THIS PROJECT INCLUDES THE TRACT MAP THAT'S
2 BEFORE US TODAY. ALONG WITH THE ZONE CHANGE AND C.U.P., WHICH
3 AUTHORIZES A CLUSTER DESIGN RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT OF 95
4 SINGLE UNITS. THE PROJECT INCLUDES 18 AND A HALF ACRES OF OPEN
5 SPACE WITH A HIKING TRAIL EASEMENT AND APPROXIMATELY TWO ACRES
6 OF PRIVATELY-MAINTAINED PARKLAND. THIS PROJECT WAS DISCUSSED
7 ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS IN PUBLIC HEARINGS BEFORE R.P.C. THE CITY
8 OF SANTA CLARITA STAFF WAS INVOLVED IN THE PLANNING PROCESS
9 AND THE PROJECT APPLICANT DID MAKE DESIGN CHANGES TO REFLECT
10 THE CITY'S INPUT. ACCESS TO THE PROJECT WAS REDESIGNED TO
11 ELIMINATE THOROUGH ACCESS FROM URBANDALE AVENUE, SINCE THE
12 RESIDENTS OF THE STREET VOICED THEIR OPPOSITION TO THAT
13 ADDITIONAL TRAFFIC. THE PROJECT SITE IS LOCATED ADJACENT TO
14 PROPERTY OWNED BY THE SAUGUS UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT AND ACCESS
15 TO THE SCHOOL SITE WILL BE PROVIDED BY THE STREET WITHIN THE
16 PROJECT. THE APPLICANT HAS ENTERED INTO A VERBAL AGREEMENT
17 WITH THE SCHOOL DISTRICT TO DO NECESSARY GRADING WORK AND SAVE
18 THE SCHOOL AND EXPEDITE THE SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION PLANS. THE
19 APPLICANT HAS ALSO AGREED TO PROVIDE AN ADDITIONAL PAYMENT OF
20 \$100,000 TO ASSIST IN THE PURCHASE OF THE PLAYGROUND
21 EQUIPMENT. AS THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE DEVELOPER AND THE
22 SCHOOL DISTRICT HAS NOT BEEN FINALIZED, THE OUTLINE OF THAT
23 AGREEMENT WILL BE INCORPORATED INTO THE CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL
24 OF THE PROJECT AND BE BINDING UPON ANY FUTURE OWNER OR BUILDER
25 OF THE PROJECT. THE PROPOSED PROJECT IS CONSISTENT WITH THE



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1 EXISTING GENERAL PLAN DESIGNATION FOR THE SUBJECT PROPERTY SO
2 NO GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT IS REQUIRED. THE PROPOSED ZONE
3 CHANGE AND TRACT MAP ARE CONSISTENT WITH THE DENSITY PERMITTED
4 UNDER THE COUNTY'S GENERAL PLAN. THE PROJECT ALSO PROVIDES THE
5 HOUSING NEAR EXISTING DEVELOPMENT AND JOB CENTERS IN THE SANTA
6 CLARITA VALLEY. THE HIKING TRAIL AND PARK WILL PROVIDE
7 RECREATIONAL OPTIONS TO ITS RESIDENTS. THE APPLICANT HAS ALSO
8 CONSULTED WITH THE SCHOOL -- THE SAUGUS UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
9 TO REACH AGREEMENT ON PROJECT MODIFICATIONS TO BENEFIT THE
10 SCHOOL DISTRICT. SO I'D MOVE THAT THE BOARD CLOSE THE HEARINGS
11 AND INDICATE ITS INTENT TO APPROVE THE ENVIRONMENTAL
12 DOCUMENTATION AND INSTRUCT COUNCIL TO RETURN WITH THOSE ZONE
13 CHANGE ORDINANCE AND ADOPTIONS TO PREPARE THE NECESSARY
14 FINDINGS AND CONDITIONS FOR APPROVAL AND THOSE WERE THE POINTS
15 THAT WERE MADE HERE TODAY TO GUARANTEE THOSE POINTS THAT WERE
16 RAISED ABOUT THE ROAD TO THE -- THAT THE COMMUNITY RAISED.

17

18 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, YES.

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20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I FURTHER MOVE THAT THE STAFF INCORPORATE A
21 CONDITION OF APPROVAL ONTO THE TRACT MAP REQUIRING THE
22 DEVELOPER TO ENTER INTO THE AGREEMENT WITH SAUGUS UNION SCHOOL
23 DISTRICT CONCERNING THE COMMITMENTS MADE BETWEEN THE PARTIES
24 AS IDENTIFIED MORE SPECIFICALLY AND THE CORRESPONDENCE
25 CONTAINED IN THE PROJECT FILE.



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2 **TERRY WIBBLES:** IS THERE ANY WAY THAT I CAN I FIND OUT ABOUT
3 LIKE THE LIGHTS AND THE HILLSIDE, I MEAN CAN I ADDRESS THAT
4 WITH THEM MYSELF OR CAN I GET SOME --

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6 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WE'LL HAVE SOMEONE SPEAK TO YOU RIGHT NOW.

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SOMEONE WILL GET THAT INFORMATION TO BE
9 PROVIDED TO THE --.

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11 **SPEAKER:** I HAVE A QUESTION. IF FOR SOME REASON THIS COMPANY
12 DENTEC DOES NOT DO THE BUILDING AND ANOTHER COMPANY COMES IN,
13 ARE THEY BOUND BY THE SAME AGREEMENTS?

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YES, THAT'S WHAT WE PUT IN THERE. THAT HE
16 WILL BE BOUND OR SHE WILL BE BOUND BY THOSE CONDITIONS.

17

18 **SPEAKER:** OKAY, AND IF IT'S GOES DOWN TO A THIRD AND FOURTH AND
19 FIFTH --

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE CONDITIONS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AS
22 WELL, THOSE CONDITIONS.

23

24 **SPEAKER:** OH OKAY, THANK YOU.

25



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1 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** AND THAT THEY WOULD HAVE TO RESPOND TO AND
2 PROVIDE INFORMATION.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOT TO RESPOND TO BUT --.

5

6 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** RIGHT.

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU FOR COMING DOWN.

9

10 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WE HAVE THREE PEOPLE THAT -- REPRESENTING
11 THE APPLICANT RONALD BROWN. DANIEL SINGH, DANIEL SINGH AND
12 GARY GANTRY, GANTRY. I WOULD SUGGEST THAT YOU MEET -- YOU'RE
13 IN SUPPORT OF THE PROJECT, RIGHT? YOU'VE HEARD THE MOTION. IS
14 THERE ANY PROBLEM YOU HAVE WITH THE MOTION? NO. WELL DO YOU
15 MIND MEETING WITH AND EXPLAINING THE LIGHTING ISSUE AND
16 EXACTLY WHAT YOU'RE DOING WITH THE HILL? OKAY. ALL RIGHT. THEN
17 THE MOTION BY ANTONOVICH AND IT'S SECONDED BY KNABE, THIS WAS
18 ITEM NUMBER 11. WITHOUT OBJECTION, THEN IT'S APPROVED. WITH
19 THE CONDITIONS AS SET FORTH IN THE MOTION. ALL RIGHT. ITEM
20 NUMBER 12. GO AHEAD, YES.

21

22 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** COMBINED HEARING ON SUB PLAN AMENDMENT
23 ZONE CHANGE, CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT AND OAK TREE PERMIT CASE
24 NUMBER 960445, INVESTING TENTATIVE TRACT MAP CASE NUMBER
25 480865 AND ON THE CERTIFICATION OF THE FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL



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1 IMPACT REPORT RELATING TO PROPERTY LOCATED NORTH OF THE
2 ANTELOPE VALLEY FREEWAY AND SOLEDAD CANYON ROAD BETWEEN SHADOW
3 PINES BOULEVARD AND AGUA DULCE CANYON ROAD, SOLEDAD ZONE
4 DISTRICT PETITIONED BY THE VALLEY CANYON PARTNERS. WE HAVE NO
5 WRITTEN PROTEST MADAM CHAIR.

6

7 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT A NUMBER OF PEOPLE HAVE INDICATED
8 THEY WISH TO SPEAK AND I THINK THAT SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY HAD
9 AN INTEREST IN THIS ONE. ARE THERE PEOPLE WHO -- STEVE HUNTER,
10 TY GARRISON, CHRISTINE CUBA. PLEASE COME FORWARD.

11

12 **ELLEN FITZGERALD:** OKAY I'M ELLEN FITZGERALD WITH THE
13 DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING. THE PROJECT SITE IS LOCATED
14 NORTH OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY FREEWAY AND SOLEDAD CANYON ROAD,
15 BETWEEN MAMMOTH LANE AND AGUA DULCE CANYON ROAD IN THE PINE
16 TREE AREA OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY. THE PROJECT SITE IS
17 ADJACENT TO RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT TO THE WEST, VACANT LAND
18 SURROUNDS IT TO THE NORTH, AND THE ANTELOPE VALLEY FREEWAY IS
19 ADJACENT TO THE SOUTH. EXISTING AND PROPOSED GRAVEL MINING
20 OPERATIONS, INCLUDING THE CEMEX PROJECT, ARE LOCATED ACROSS
21 THE FREEWAY TO THE EAST. THE PROJECT APPLICANT HAS REQUESTED
22 AN AMENDMENT TO THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY AREA PLAN AND THE
23 COUNTY GENERAL PLAN TO DESIGNATE 161.9 ACRES OF THE 4 -- I'M
24 SORRY, 548-ACRE SITE FOR URBAN USE TO ALLOW DEVELOPMENT OF A
25 542-UNIT SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT. THE PROJECT'S



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1 OVERALL DENSITY IS APPROXIMATELY ONE UNIT PER ACRE WITH LOTS
2 RANGING FROM 6,000 TO 20,000 SQUARE FEET IN SIZE. THE
3 PROJECT'S CLUSTER DESIGN PERMITS AVERAGING OF THE DENSITY OVER
4 THE ENTIRE PROJECT SITE AND ALLOWS DEVELOPMENT TO AVOID THE
5 PROPERTY'S STEEPEST HILLSIDES. IN ADDITION TO THE RESIDENTIAL
6 USES PROPOSED THE PROJECT INCLUDES TWO PUBLIC FACILITY LOTS
7 FOR POTENTIAL FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF A FIRE STATION AND
8 SHERIFF'S SUB SUBSTATION, TWO PARTLY MAINTAINED PARKS TOTALING
9 18 ACRES AND APPROXIMATELY 300 ACRES OF OPEN SPACE WITH TRAILS
10 TO BE DEDICATED TO A PUBLIC AGENCY. THE PROJECT APPLICANT HAS
11 A DRAFT AGREEMENT IN PLACE WITH THE WILLIAM S. HART HIGH
12 SCHOOL DISTRICT TO PAY APPROPRIATE MITIGATION FEES AS
13 DETERMINED BY THE SCHOOL DISTRICT, AND HAS AGREED TO PROVIDE
14 THE SULFUR SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT WITH A NINE-ACRE GRADED
15 SIGHT. THE EXACT LOCATION OF THE SCHOOL SITE HAS YET TO BE
16 DETERMINED. IT WAS SHOWN DURING THE REGIONAL PLANNING
17 COMMISSION'S PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPERTY LOCATED IMMEDIATELY TO
18 THE WEST OF THE PROJECT SITE BUT MIGHT BE RELOCATED AT THE
19 REQUEST OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT. THE REGIONAL PLANNING
20 COMMISSION'S PUBLIC HEARING WAS HELD OCTOBER 18TH, 2000, AND
21 AT THAT TIME ONE SPEAKER EXPRESSED OPPOSITION TO THE PROJECT
22 DUE TO CONCERNS ABOUT WATER SUPPLY AND CONTAMINATION. THE
23 COMMISSION FURTHER DISCUSSED ISSUES RELATED TO THE PROJECT'S
24 WILDLIFE CORRIDOR ON OCTOBER 31ST, 2001, AND THE REGIONAL
25 PLANNING COMMISSION VOTED TO APPROVE THE PROJECT AND ITS



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1 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT WITH A STATEMENT OF OVERRIDING
2 CONSIDERATIONS DUE TO UNMITIGATED SIGNIFICANT IMPACTS ON
3 BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES, AIR QUALITY AND DIGITAL RESOURCES ON
4 NOVEMBER 14TH, 2001. SUBSEQUENT TO THE COMMISSION'S ACTIONS,
5 SENATE BILLS 610 AND 221 BECAME EFFECTIVE, REQUIRING A WATER
6 SUPPLY ASSESSMENT CERTIFIED BY THE LOCAL WATER COMPANY. TO
7 ADDRESS THIS A SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT WAS
8 PREPARED AND RE-CIRCULATED CONTAINING THE NEWHALL COUNTY WATER
9 DISTRICT CERTIFICATION OF AN ADEQUATE WATER SUPPLY AS WELL AS
10 A REANALYSIS OF TRAFFIC BASED ON CHANGED CONDITIONS. NO
11 ADDITIONAL UNMITIGATED SIGNIFICANT IMPACTS ASSOCIATED WITH
12 THIS DEVELOPMENT WERE IDENTIFIED AS PART OF THE SUPPLEMENTAL
13 E.I.R. AND THAT CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATION.

14
15 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ARE THE OTHER PEOPLE WHO WE CALLED, ARE
16 THEY NOT HERE OR --.

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18 **SPEAKER:** I THINK THEY ARE AND WE'LL CALL THEM UP IF THE BOARD
19 HAS ANY SPECIFIC QUESTIONS THAT ADDRESS THEIR EXPERTISES.

20
21 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, WHAT ABOUT ROBERT THOMSON,
22 CHARLES MOORE AND PAUL EDELMAN.

23
24 **SPEAKER:** THEY'RE -- THEY'RE ALL HERE.



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1 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, AND THEY DON'T WISH TO COME UP
2 RIGHT NOW OR WOULD YOU LIKE TO COME UP NOW?

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4 **SPEAKER:** I THINK ONLY UNLESS BOARD MEMBERS HAS ANY SPECIFIC
5 QUESTIONS, WE'LL BRING --

6

7 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** AND LYNN PLAMBECK, IS SHE STILL HERE? WOULD
8 YOU LIKE TO COME UP? ALL RIGHT, ALL RIGHT PLEASE COME UP. ALL
9 RIGHT YES UH-HUH.

10

11 **SPEAKER:** WE MIGHT WANT TO -- IF IT'S OKAY WITH THE BOARD TO GO
12 AHEAD AND HAVE US BOTH PRESENT THEIR ARGUMENTS TO THE BOARD.

13

14 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT.

15

16 **SPEAKER:** THE OPPOSITION IS GOING FIRST? IS THAT WHAT'S
17 HAPPENING?

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19 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** CERTAINLY. WHY DON'T YOU GET -- SPEAK
20 FIRST.

21

22 **LYNN PLAMBECK:** OH OKAY. WELL I HAVE A HANDOUTS FOR -- THERE
23 ACTUALLY WAS A WRITTEN PROTEST TO THIS. I DON'T KNOW WHY THE
24 BOARD DIDN'T GET IT BUT I THINK THE SIERRA CLUB'S COMMENTS
25 WERE, GO AHEAD, THE SIERRA CLUB'S COMMENTS WERE FAXED BUT I'M



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1 JUST BRINGING THE BOARD ANOTHER COPY JUST IN CASE AND ANOTHER
2 EVALUATION OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER REPORT, THE
3 MINORITY EVALUATION FROM MYSELF AND JOAN DUNN, ANOTHER
4 DIRECTOR ON THE BOARD. AND THEN I ALSO WILL BE SUBMITTING THE
5 SCOPE COMMENTS, AND THE GENERAL CONCERN ABOUT THIS PROJECT IS
6 TWO-FOLD. FIRST, IT DIDN'T SEEM THAT THE COMMUNITY UP THERE
7 KNOWS THAT THIS IS GOING TO EMPTY OUT THROUGH PINE TREE AND
8 MAMMOTH LANE AND MAMMOTH -- THE STONE CREST PROJECT. EXCUSE
9 ME. AND THERE WAS A LOT OF CONCERN WHEN PEOPLE FOUND YOU THAT
10 THAT'S WHAT WAS HAPPENING AND IT SEEMS AS THOUGH PERHAPS THERE
11 WAS SOME MORE NOTIFICATION THAT NEEDED TO BE DONE JUST TO MAKE
12 SURE PEOPLE KNEW AND COULD BRING THOSE ISSUES TO YOU. THE
13 OTHER ISSUE THAT WAS OF BIG CONCERN WAS THAT THIS PROJECT HAS
14 MORE OVERRIDING CONSIDERATIONS FOR ITS APPROVAL THAN THE
15 GRAVEL MINE. AND THERE WAS A LOT OF CONCERN THAT IF YOU GO
16 AHEAD AND APPROVE THIS WITHOUT MITIGATING THOSE CONCERNS, AND
17 THAT INCLUDES AIR QUALITY, TRAFFIC, THE WILDLIFE CORRIDOR,
18 SPRING CANYON IS ONE OF THE FEW AREAS THAT THE ANIMALS CAN
19 STILL ACCESS THE RIVER UP THERE. SO IT'S A VERY IMPORTANT
20 WILDLIFE CORRIDOR. AND IF THAT ISN'T MITIGATED TO SOMETHING
21 LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT, THEN IT WOULD SEEM TO US THAT YOU --
22 THAT THERE MIGHT BE A CONCERN ABOUT CONTINUING TO OPPOSE THE
23 GRAVEL MINE. AND WE DIDN'T -- WE WANT YOU TO OPPOSE THE GRAVEL
24 MINE. SO THAT'S WHAT WE WERE WORRIED ABOUT. THANK YOU.

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1 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. NOW IS SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY --
2 ALL RIGHT, YES, GO RIGHT AHEAD.

3

4 **PAUL EDELMAN:** I'M PAUL EDLEMAN, I'M DEPUTY DIRECTOR WITH THE
5 SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY, I'M ALSO REPRESENTING THE
6 MOUNTAINS RECREATION AND CONSERVATION AUTHORITY WHICH IS A
7 JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY THAT INCLUDES THE CONSERVANCY. WE
8 SUBMITTED COMMENTS EARLIER ON THE DRAFT E.I.R. WITH VARIOUS
9 CONCERNS ABOUT THE PROJECT. WHAT I'D LIKE TO TALK TO YOU AND
10 OUR TESTIMONY TODAY IS THAT THE KEY THING IS WE WANT TO ENSURE
11 THAT THE OPEN SPACE LOTS, APPROXIMATELY 300 ACRES, GO TO A
12 PUBLIC AGENCY. THE STAFF REPORT CURRENTLY SAYS IT WOULD GO TO
13 A NON-PROFIT CALLED THE MOUNTAINS RESTORATION TRUST. AND WE
14 WANT TO ENSURE THAT THERE'S A PERMANENT AVAILABILITY OF
15 FUNDING TO MAINTAIN THAT OPEN SPACE AND ITS PUBLIC TRAILS AND
16 SOME IMPORTANT WILDLIFE CORRIDOR MITIGATIONS THAT WERE
17 INSTALLED MORE RECENTLY IN THE PROJECT DESIGN. WE'VE WORKED
18 WITH THE APPLICANT NOW FOR TWO YEARS TO DEVELOP THAT FUNDING
19 SOURCE FOR OPEN SPACE FUNDING AND IT'S PRETTY CLEAR THAT THE
20 BEST FUNDING SOURCE IS A LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE DISTRICT OR
21 SOME SIMILAR ASSESSMENT DISTRICT GOING THROUGH PARKS AND
22 RECREATION. AND WE DISCUSSED THAT WITH COUNTY COUNSEL A LITTLE
23 BIT LAST WEEK. WHERE WE HAVE THE FULL SUPPORT OF THE APPLICANT
24 TO DO THIS LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE-- OR THIS MAINTENANCE -- THIS
25 BENEFIT ASSESSMENT -- THIS ASSESSMENT DISTRICT AND WE REQUEST



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1 ADDITION OF A MAP CONDITION AT THIS STAGE OF THE GAME
2 REQUIRING THE FORMATION OF AN ASSESSMENT DISTRICT TO MAINTAIN
3 THE OPEN SPACE. WE WOULD WELCOME TO OPPORTUNITY TO TAKE TITLE
4 OF THE OPEN SPACE, THE MOUNTAINS RECREATION AND CONSERVATION
5 AUTHORITY WOULD. AND THAT WE WILL BE HAPPY TO CONTRACT WITH
6 REC AND PARKS TO MAINTAIN THAT OPEN SPACE. CURRENTLY THE
7 M.R.C. MAINTAINS OPEN SPACE BOTH IN RITTER RANCH BY PALMDALE
8 DOWN ALONG THE STATE ROUTE 14 CORRIDOR TO WHITNEY CANYON AND
9 THE SANTA CLARITA WOODLANDS. WE DEFER TO REC AND PARK IF THEY
10 WANT TO TAKE THE OPEN-SPACE LOT AND -- BUT IN ANY CASE IT'S
11 REALLY IMPORTANT THAT THE BOARD PLACE AN ASSESSMENT DISTRICT
12 TRACT MAP CONDITION TO MAKE SURE THAT OPEN SPACE IS
13 MAINTAINED. THANK YOU.

14
15 **STEVE HUNTER:** MADAM CHAIRMAN, HONORABLE BOARD MEMBERS, MY NAME
16 IS STEVE HUNTER WITH LAND DESIGN CONSULTANTS. I'M THE LAND
17 PLANNER AND ENGINEER REPRESENTING THE APPLICANT. I THANK STAFF
18 FOR THEIR PRESENTATIONS AND I'LL TRY TO BE FAIRLY BRIEF. THE
19 APPLICATION IS PROPOSING, AS MR. EDELMAN HAD MENTIONED, 305
20 ACRES OF DEDICATED AND DEED-RESTRICTED OPEN SPACE, THAT
21 INCLUDES THREE AND A HALF MILES OF TRAILS AND A TRAILHEAD WITH
22 A PARKING LOT. THE APPLICANT HAS BEEN DISCUSSING THIS MATTER
23 WITH THE CONSERVANCY AND IS WILLING TO DEDICATE THE OPEN SPACE
24 TO THAT ENTITY AND TO WORK WITH THEM TO CREATE A FUNDING
25 MECHANISM TO GUARANTEE THE PERMANENT MAINTENANCE OF THAT 305



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1 ACRES AND THE MAINTENANCE OF THE 3 AND A HALF MILES OF TRAILS
2 AND THE TRAILHEADS FOR THE PUBLIC TO CONTINUE TO USE. THE
3 PROJECT IS ALSO PROPOSING 18 ACRES OF BOTH PASSIVE AND ACTIVE
4 RECREATIONAL SPACE, TO BE PRIVATELY MAINTAINED EITHER BY THE
5 H.O.A. OR INCLUDED IN THE LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE DISTRICT AS
6 PART OF THE 305 ACRES OF OPEN SPACE. THAT 18 ACRES ALSO
7 INCLUDES A SECOND TRAILHEAD THAT WOULD BE A COMPONENT OF THE 3
8 AND A HALF MILES OF TRAILS. AS STAFF HAS INDICATED THE
9 APPLICANT HAS A SIGNED SCOPE AGREEMENT WITH SULFUR SPRINGS, IT
10 HAS A DRAFT SCOPE AGREEMENT WITH THE HART SCHOOL DISTRICT,
11 IT'S ALSO OFFERING A ONE-ACRE FIRE STATION SITE TO THE FIRE
12 DEPARTMENT. A SHERIFF'S SUBSTATION SITE, IF IT'S DEEMED
13 NECESSARY AND THE PROJECTS HAS INCORPORATED A SERIES OF
14 DIFFERENT WILDLIFE CORRIDOR MITIGATION. AS FAR AS THE ISSUE OF
15 OVERRIDING CONSIDERATION, WELL I THINK THAT WAS MENTIONED
16 EARLIER IS THAT THERE IS AN OVERRIDING CONSIDERATION FOR
17 TRAFFIC. THAT'S NOT TRUE. THERE'S THREE OVERRIDING
18 CONSIDERATIONS AS FAR AS THE PROJECT, ONE IS AIR QUALITY,
19 BIODE AND VISUAL. ALL THE TRAFFIC IMPACTS OF THIS PROJECT ARE
20 BEING MITIGATED WITH THE PROJECT. IF THE BOARD HAS QUESTIONS
21 I'D BE HAPPY TO ANSWER THEM.

22

23 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

24



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YEAH, LET ME JUST SAY THAT THE STAFF OF THE
2 DEPARTMENT HAS RECEIVED MANY INQUIRIES FROM INTERESTED PARTIES
3 REGARDING VARIOUS ISSUES SURROUNDING THE PROPOSED SPRING
4 CANYON PROJECT AND THEY HAVE NOT HAD THE ADEQUATE TIME TO
5 REVIEW THOSE INQUIRIES TO PREPARE AN ADEQUATE RESPONSE. THE
6 BOARD DOES NOT THEREFORE HAVE ALL OF THE REQUIRED SEQUA
7 INFORMATION NECESSARY TO MAKE A DECISION. WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO
8 DO IS MOVE THAT THE BOARD INSTRUCT THE STAFF TO PREPARE THE
9 FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION AND THAT THIS MATTER BE
10 CONTINUED TO JULY 22ND.

11

12 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, MOVED BY ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY
13 KNABE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

14

15 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** MADAM CHAIR ON --

16

17 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ITEM 1?

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19 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** AGENDA 1, AFTER TABULATING THE BALLOTS A
20 DETERMINATION HAS BEEN MADE THAT NO MAJORITY PROTEST EXISTS
21 AGAINST THE PROPOSED ASSESSMENTS.

22

23 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED AND SECONDED, MOVED BY KNABE,
24 SECONDED. AS A RESULT I MOVE THAT THE BOARD ADOPT A RESOLUTION
25 TO ANNEX AND LEVY ASSESSMENTS AND ACCEPT THE EXCHANGE OF



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1 PROPERTY TAX REVENUES RESULTING FROM THE ANNEXATION OF TERDOR,
2 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE, WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.
3 WE WILL NOW GO BACK TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS. STARTING WITH
4 THE FIRST DISTRICT.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA:** ARE YOU CALLING ON ME YVONNE, I CAN'T TELL?

7

8 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** YES.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA:** OH. I HAVE TWO ADJOURNING MOTIONS. OKAY, I ALWAYS
11 LOSE THEM RIGHT BEFORE YOU CALL ME. OH HERE THEY ARE. I ASK
12 THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF MS. FANTA BELIZE, SHE IS THE
13 MOTHER OF DR. TONY BELIZE, WHO IS OUR COUNTY'S MENTAL -- WITH
14 OUR COUNTY'S MENTAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT. WE WANT TO EXTEND OUR
15 CONDOLENCES TO THE ENTIRE BELIZE FAMILY. ALSO ASKING THAT WE
16 ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF MS. ANITA TRUJIO, WHO PASSED AWAY.
17 MS. TRUJIO WAS THE AUNT OF OLGA TRUJIO CASTELEANA, FROM OUR
18 EXECUTIVE OFFICE. MS. TRUJIO WAS A 38-YEAR RESIDENT AND
19 COMMUNITY LEADER OF SANTA FE SPRINGS. HER MANY CIVIC
20 CONTRIBUTIONS INCLUDED SERVING ON THE LITTLE LAKE SCHOOL
21 DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION, THE LITTLE LAKE EARLY CHILDHOOD
22 EDUCATION COMMITTEE AND THE SANTA FE HIGH SCHOOL PSYCH COUNCIL
23 AMONG MANY OTHER THINGS. SHE HAS RECEIVED RECOGNITIONS IN THE
24 PAST AS RESIDENTIAL CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AND SEVERAL P.T.A.



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1 AWARDS. WE WANT TO EXTEND OUR DEEPEST CONDOLENCES TO THE
2 FAMILY.

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4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE:** I'D LIKE TO JOIN IN THAT AS WELL PLEASE.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA:** CERTAINLY, AND THAT'S ALL I HAVE.

9

10 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** YOU HAVE NO SPECIALS? ARE THERE ANY ITEMS
11 YOU WANT TO CALL UP? ALL RIGHT. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN
12 TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF LINDA MABALOT, WHO PASSED AWAY
13 MAY 19TH AT THE AGE OF 49 AFTER A SHORT BATTLE WITH LUNG
14 CANCER. LINDA MABALOT WAS FOUNDER OF VISUAL COMMUNICATIONS, A
15 NONPROFIT INDEPENDENT FILM STUDIO HERE IN LOS ANGELES. SHE WAS
16 AN INDEPENDENT FILM MAKER AND COMMUNITY ACTIVIST AND BELIEVED
17 THAT WITH ACCESS TO THE TECHNOLOGIES AND A DELIVERY SYSTEM THE
18 VOICES AND STORIES FROM THE COMMUNITY OF COLOR WILL HAVE AN
19 IMPACT TO AFFECT POSITIVE SOCIAL CHANGE. SHE LEAVES BEHIND HER
20 MOTHER ROSALINA, AND TWO SISTERS, DORA MABALOT, OF SAN JOSE,
21 AND NATIVIDAD MABALOT ANDREAS, OF FRANKFURT, GERMANY. AND
22 WESLEY WILLIAMS, A WASHINGTON PREPARATORY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT
23 WHO DIED ON SATURDAY, MAY 24TH AT THE AGE OF 18. HE HAD
24 DROPPED OFF HIS GIRLFRIEND AFTER A PROM AND WAS DRIVING EAST
25 ON FORBES NEAR WESTERN WHEN HIS CAR CRASHED HEAD-ON INTO AN



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1 MTA BUS. THEY BELIEVE THAT HE WAS ASLEEP AT THE TIME. HE FELL
2 ASLEEP AT THE WHEEL. HE WAS AN ASPIRING ACTOR WHO HAD BEEN AN
3 EXTRA ON THE TV SHOW 'FRESH PRINCE OF BELLAIRE.' VIOLA
4 JACKSON, WHO PASSED AWAY ON MAY 19TH, SHE WAS A DEVOTED WIFE
5 TO THE LATE DR. GAGE JOHNSON AND MOTHER AND GRANDMOTHER. SHE
6 WAS INVOLVED WITH THE COMMUNITY. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER TWO
7 CHILDREN, DR. SHERRY JOHNSON AND GAGE JOHNSON, JR., A
8 GRANDDAUGHTER, JESSICA GAGE AND HER SISTER-IN-LAW, BARBARA
9 BUTLER. ALVIRA -- ALEVRA -- ALEVA JONES, AN OUTSTANDING
10 CITIZEN AND DEVOTED COMMUNITY SERVANT WHO WORKED TIRELESSLY
11 TOWARD BREAST CANCER AWARENESS, WELLNESS AND PROMOTES COURAGE
12 FOR THOSE BATTLING CANCER. SHE WAS A MEMBER OF THE RENAISSANCE
13 RUNNERS OF LOS ANGELES, WOMEN OF COLORED BREAST CANCER
14 PROJECT, WELLNESS COMMUNITY OF PASADENA FOOTHILLS AND TEAM
15 SURVIVOR TRIATHLETE. SHE RECEIVED THE KELLOGG AWARD AND THE
16 PASADENA LOCAL HERO AWARD FROM NORTH AMERICAN B.M.W. AND THE
17 SUZANNE G. CROMAN BREAST CANCER FOUNDATION. SHE'S SURVIVED BY
18 HER HUSBAND WILTON JONES. RICHARD E. OWENS THE 3RD, THE FATHER
19 OF JUDY OWENS, MR. MARK PASAOS, ASSISTANT AT SCAGGS. HIS OTHER
20 CHILDREN ARE MELVIN OWENS, SANDRA OWENS, DORIS JORDAN, LINDA
21 BURNS AND VANESSA OWENS. HIS WIFE, CLARA OWENS PRECEDED HIM IN
22 DEATH SEVEN YEARS AGO.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE:** I'D LIKE TO JOIN IN THAT TOO.

25



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1 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** AND ALL MEMBERS. SO ORDERED. I HAVE TWO
2 ITEMS I'M INTRODUCING. ONE IS IN MARCH GOVERNOR DAVIS
3 ANNOUNCED THAT THE STATE WAS SUBMITTING A STATE PLAN AMENDMENT
4 REQUESTING THAT THE CENTER FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICE
5 APPROVE AN INNOVATIVE IDEA THAT WOULD ALLOW CALIFORNIA
6 COUNTIES THE FLEXIBILITY TO EXPAND ACCESS TO COVERAGE TO
7 CHILDREN. AND THIS WOULD URGE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
8 SEND A FIVE-SIGNATURE LETTER TO TOM SCULLY, ADMINISTRATOR OF
9 C.M.S. EXPRESSING THE BOARD'S SUPPORT FOR APPROVAL OF THE
10 STATE PLAN AMENDMENT SUBMITTED BY THE STATE TO ENABLE
11 ENACTMENT OF A.B. 495 AND INCREASED HEALTH COVERAGE FOR
12 CHILDREN. AND THAT'LL BE FOR NEXT WEEK. AND SECONDLY, AS A
13 RESULT OF THE DEVASTATING FLOOD IN THE COUNTRY OF SRI LANKA,
14 THE CONSUL-GENERAL OF SRI LANKA, THE HONORABLE PRIDI
15 GUNAWADANA REPORTS THAT OVER 200 SRI LANKANS ARE CONFIRMED
16 DEAD, ALMOST 400 ARE MISSING, FEARED DROWNED OR BURIED IN
17 LANDSLIDES AND OVER 500,000 SRI LANKANS HAVE LOST THEIR HOMES
18 AND POSSESSIONS. WE'VE CONFIRMED THAT THE U.S. GOVERNMENT
19 THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE HAS PROVIDED SOME FINANCIAL
20 AID AND AMERICAN TEAMS ARRIVED IN SRI LANKA ON MAY 23RD TO
21 ASSESS THE IMMEDIATE NEEDS. HOWEVER BECAUSE THE NEEDS OF THE
22 FLOOD VICTIMS ARE STAGGERING, CONSUL-GENERAL GUNAWADANA HAS
23 ASKED THIS BOARD TO CONVEY TO THE RESIDENTS AND EMPLOYEES OF
24 LOS ANGELES COUNTY A PLEA FOR ASSISTANCE AND ASK FOR MONETARY
25 DONATIONS TO AID THE DESPERATE FLOOD VICTIMS, AND



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1 CONTRIBUTIONS MAY BE SENT TO THE CONSULATE GENERAL OF SRI
2 LANKA, 606 WILSHIRE BOULEVARD, SUITE 400, LOS ANGELES,
3 CALIFORNIA. AND -- OR DEPOSITED IN THE ACCOUNT OF THE
4 CONSULATE AT BANK OF AMERICA, AND WE HAVE ALL OF THE RESULTS.
5 I THEREFORE MOVE THAT WE FIND PURSUANT TO SUBDIVISION
6 GOVERNMENT CODE 54954.2 THAT IT'S A NEED TO TAKE IMMEDIATE
7 ACTION AND THAT THE NEED FOR ACTION CAME TO THE ATTENTION OF
8 THE BOARD SUBSEQUENT TO THE AGENDA AND TO ENCOURAGE COUNTY
9 RESIDENTS AND EMPLOYEES TO CONSIDER MAKING ON A STRICTLY
10 VOLUNTARY BASIS FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO AID DESPERATE FLOOD
11 VICTIMS IN SRI LANKA. AND I WOULD THAT -- I'LL MOVE THAT.
12 SECONDED BY KNABE THAT WE TAKE THIS UP AS AN EMERGENCY. AND
13 MOVED AND SECONDED BY YAROSLAVSKY THAT WE ADOPT THE REQUEST TO
14 AID THE VICTIMS IN SRI LANKA AND THE CONTRIBUTIONS MAY BE SENT
15 TO THE CONSULATE GENERAL OF SRI LANKA AT 606 WILSHIRE
16 BOULEVARD, SUITE 400 AND DEPOSITED IN THE BANK OF AMERICA
17 ACCOUNT THAT WE WILL MAKE AVAILABLE TO YOU. AND WITHOUT
18 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. LET ME CALL UP SOME ITEMS HERE THAT
19 HAVE NOT BEEN CALLED. ITEM 21, HAS NOT BEEN -- GENEVIEVE
20 CLAVREUL, JOANNE LEAVITT, AND JOHN LEONARD, PLEASE COME
21 FORWARD. ARE THEY -- ALL RIGHT, THEY'RE ALL COMING FORWARD.
22 GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: GOOD AFTERNOON, THIS IS GENEVIEVE
23 CLAVREUL. IT IS VERY LATE AFTERNOON, I WILL SAY BUT BETTER
24 LATE THAN NEVER. FIRST OF ALL I WANT TO COMPLIMENT SUPERVISOR
25 YAROSLAVSKY TO OPPOSE GOVERNOR DAVIS MAY REVISION IN THE



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1 BUDGET TO REMOVE THE FUND FOR THE BROWN ACT REQUIREMENT. I'M
2 VERY PROUD OF YOU, I MEAN, IT'S NOT OFTEN I CAN, YOU KNOW,
3 COMPLIMENT.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MERCI BEAUCOUP.

6

7 **GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** OH YEAH, BACOIS, THAT'S WHERE YOUR FRENCH
8 STOP, BUT ANYWAY --

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WAIT, WAIT A MINUTE, WAIT A MINUTE, I'VE
11 EARNED A COUPLE OF MORE WORDS.

12

13 **GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YEAH GOOD ONES?

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BUT I'M NOT GOING TO SAY THEM HERE.

16

17 **GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** ANYWAY, IT'S I AM VERY GRATEFUL OF THAT
18 OPPOSITION AND I HOPE THAT WE CONTINUE TO REALLY, YOU KNOW,
19 PROVIDE THE BROWN ACT HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I KNOW
20 SOMETIMES YOU KIND OF SKIP IT A LITTLE BIT SO I HOPE THAT IT
21 WILL GIVE US SOME HOPE THAT WE WILL PURSUE IN THE RIGHT
22 DIRECTION SO THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR DOING IT.

23

24 **JOANNE LEAVITT:** I'M JOANNE LEAVITT, PRESIDENT OF THE LEAGUE OF
25 WOMEN VOTERS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. 50 YEARS AGO, IN THE FALL



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1 OF 1953, THE RALPH M. BROWN ACT WAS FIRST PASSED. IT SEEMS SAD
2 THAT WE STILL MUST TESTIFY TO PROTECT THE RIGHTS OF THE PUBLIC
3 TO HAVE ITS BUSINESS DONE IN AN OPEN AND PUBLIC FASHION. TODAY
4 I'M GOING TO ASK YOU TO DO THREE THINGS. ONE, I'M GOING TO ASK
5 YOU TO PASS SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY'S MOTION THAT IS BEFORE
6 YOU. SECOND, I'M GOING TO REQUEST THAT YOU SUPPORT THE SONS OF
7 FINE COALITIONS PREVIOUS IDEA TO CODIFY THIS INTO YOUR OWN
8 LAW. AND THIRD, I AM GOING TO ASK THAT YOU REQUEST YOUR
9 LEGISLATIVE ADVOCATES IN SACRAMENTO TO WORK TO SUPPORT
10 S.C.A.T. -- S.C.A.-1 TO MAKE THIS A PART OF OUR STATE
11 CONSTITUTION SO SUCH INCIDENTS AS THIS DON'T HAPPEN AGAIN.
12 THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. COULD I ASK MIKE -- MIKI JACKSON
15 AND KAREN OCAMB TO COME FORWARD?

16

17 **JOAN LEONARD:** HI, I'M JOAN LEONARD, I'M FROM CALIFORNIA COMMON
18 CAUSE. I'M HERE TODAY TO ASK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO PASS
19 THIS RECOMMENDATION TO REAFFIRM THE IMPORTANCE OF OPEN,
20 ACCOUNTABLE GOVERNMENT IN LOS ANGELES. WHILE THE COUNTY'S
21 RESOLUTION HAS NO BINDING EFFECT ON THE ACTIONS OF OUR
22 GOVERNOR OR THE STATE LEGISLATURE, IT IS VITAL THAT YOU SPEAK
23 LOUDLY AND CLEARLY TODAY SO THAT IT IS HEARD ALL THE WAY TO
24 SACRAMENTO. THE RALPH M. ACT BECAME LAW BECAUSE OF THE SCANDAL
25 OF SECRECY UNCOVERED BY THE SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE IN 1951.



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1 FOR MORE THAN A HALF CENTURY, THE PEOPLE HAVE RICHLY ENJOYED
2 ITS BENEFITS. THE IRONY OF THE PROPOSAL BY GOVERNOR DAVIS IS
3 THAT IT WILL NOT SAVE A PENNY IN REAL TERMS AND IN FACT COULD
4 END UP DRAINING OUR COFFERS AS A RESULT OF BACKROOM DEALS NO
5 ONE WOULD KNOW ABOUT. THE YEARLY COST OF THE NOTICE PROVISION
6 OF THE OPEN MEETING LAW, WHICH IS, BY THE WAY, 2 ONE
7 HUNDREDTHS OF 1% OF THE PROJECTED DEFICIT, IS REPAYED
8 EXPONENTIALLY BECAUSE THE PUBLIC IS WATCHING AT ALL TIMES.
9 WHILE WE MIGHT EXPECT LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO CONTINUE TO POST
10 TIMELY AND APPROPRIATE AND MEANINGFUL AGENDAS WE NEED THE
11 SECURITY THAT THE STATE BELIEVES IT IS OF PARAMOUNT
12 IMPORTANCE, AND BACKS THAT BELIEF BY KEEPING IT IN THE BUDGET.
13 MORE SO FOR LITTLE GOVERNMENT AGENCIES AND BOARDS WHOSE SMALL
14 FINANCES CAN'T ABSORB EVEN THE COST OF PROPER NOTICE. L.A.
15 COUNTY CAN BEST SET AN EXAMPLE BY PASSING THIS RESOLUTION AND
16 SAYING THAT TRANSPARENT GOVERNMENT IS GOOD GOVERNMENT AND VOTE
17 TODAY UNANIMOUSLY FOR THIS VERY IMPORTANT RECOMMENDATION.
18 THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. STATE YOUR NAME
21 PLEASE.

22

23 **MIKI JACKSON:** HI. I'M MIKI JACKSON. YOU KNOW, I'M VERY PLEASED
24 TO COME AND SUPPORT SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY'S MOTION. I HOPE
25 YOU ALL PASS IT. I'M VERY SAD THAT IT'S NEEDED. IT MAKES ME



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1 THINK OF THE OLD SAYING, GOVERNOR DAVIS KNOWS THE PRICE OF
2 EVERYTHING AND THE VALUE OF NOTHING. GOVERNOR DAVIS WHO IS
3 MOST FAMOUS FOR FUNDRAISING. MONEY, MONEY, MONEY. AS OUR
4 PREVIOUS SPEAKER POINTED OUT, ISN'T VERY MUCH MONEY EITHER, IN
5 THE SCHEME OF THINGS. IT WORKS OUT TO ABOUT 27 CENTS PER
6 PERSON IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA TO KEEP AN OPEN GOVERNMENT.
7 THIS MAKES AN EVEN STRONGER ARGUMENT FOR CODIFICATION. IF THE
8 STATE CAN BE UNDERMINING ITSELF LIKE THIS, THEN WE CERTAINLY
9 NEED TO SEE TO OUR OWN BUSINESS AND OWN OPENNESS AND OWN
10 CLEANLINESS OF GOVERNMENT HERE OURSELVES BECAUSE WE CAN'T RELY
11 ON ANYONE ELSE TO DO IT. THAT'S ABOUT ALL I HAVE TO SAY TODAY,
12 EXCEPT AGAIN THANK YOU TO SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY FOR DOING
13 THIS AND I HOPE YOU ALL OF YOU VOTE FOR IT AND I DO I BELIEVE
14 THAT AN OPEN GOVERNMENT ULTIMATELY SAVES US MORE MONEY THAN IT
15 COULD EVER COST.

16
17 **KAREN OCAMB:** THANK YOU, MY NAME IS KAREN OCAMB, I AM ON THE
18 BOARD OF THE LOS ANGELES PRESS CLUB AND I'M THE CHAIR OF THE
19 L.A. SUNSHINE COALITION. I WANT TO THANK THE SPEAKERS WHO
20 PRECEDED ME, WHO WAITED ALL THIS TIME TO ADDRESS THIS AND
21 ADDRESS YOU. AFTER SEPTEMBER 11TH, MANY SHOCKED AND FRIGHTENED
22 AMERICANS SEEMED WILLING TO TRADE SOME CIVIL LIBERTIES AND
23 ACCESS TO OPEN GOVERNMENT IN EXCHANGE FOR SECURITY. THE
24 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT PASSED THE PATRIOT ACT AND THE HOMELAND
25 SECURITY ACT AND ACCORDING TO A RECENT ASSOCIATED PRESS



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1 REPORT, AT LEAST 36 STATES HAVE EITHER PASSED OR CONSIDERED
2 PASSING MEASURES TO TIGHTEN PUBLIC ACCESS TO DOCUMENTS AND OR
3 MEETINGS OF GOVERNMENTAL BODIES. BUT SOMETHING MORE TROUBLING
4 IS HAPPENING HERE. IT IS NOT WITH AN EYE TO SECURITY BUT TO
5 SAVE AN ESTIMATED \$9 MILLION THAT GOVERNOR DAVIS PROPOSED TO
6 REPEAL THE BROWN ACT MANDATE THAT REQUIRES LOCAL GOVERNMENTS
7 AND THEIR AGENCIES TO POST PUBLIC MEETING NOTICES AND PUBLISH
8 AGENDAS. IT IS FRIGHTENING THAT WE APPARENTLY HAVE A GOVERNOR
9 WHO SEEMS TO HAVE MISSED THE NEWS COVERAGE ABOUT SOUTH GATE,
10 COMPTON AND CARSON. HE APPARENTLY THINKS THOSE GOVERNMENTS
11 WOULD VOLUNTARILY QUOTE, 'DO THE RIGHT THING' AND LET THE
12 PUBLIC KNOW WHAT THEY'RE UP TO. THIS IS FOLLY. AS C.A.O.,
13 DAVID JANSSEN PUT IT IN HIS MEMO TO YOU, QUOTE, 'THE
14 ELIMINATION OF THIS REQUIREMENT, INCLUDING ITS UNIFORM
15 STANDARDS FOR COMPLIANCE, WOULD BE BAD PUBLIC POLICY WHOSE
16 CONSEQUENCES COULD DIMINISH PUBLIC AWARENESS AND PARTICIPATION
17 IN GOVERNMENTAL DECISION-MAKING,' END QUOTE. THE LOS ANGELES
18 TIMES REPORTS THAT GOVERNOR DAVIS HAS QUOTE 'HEARD THE HUE AND
19 CRY OVER THIS PROPOSAL' AND NOW PLANS TO, QUOTE, 'REVIEW IT.'
20 THIS IS NOT THE STATESMAN-LIKE CONDUCT WE HAD HOPED FOR. WHAT
21 WE NEED NOW MORE THAN EVER IS AN HONEST BROKER OF INFORMATION
22 NOT OR WELLIE AND DOUBLE-SPEAK. WE THEREFORE URGE YOU TO PASS
23 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY'S MOTION AND SEND A MESSAGE TO GOVERNOR
24 DAVIS AND OTHERS WHO WORSHIP AT THE ALTAR OF SECRECY THAT THIS
25 BODY STANDS FOR THE SACRED DEMOCRATIC PRINCIPALS OF OPEN



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1 GOVERNMENT. TO FURTHER THAT TRUST WE ALSO BESEECH YOU TO
2 CODIFY YOUR OWN OPEN GOVERNMENT LAWS, TO GUARD THEM AGAINST
3 CORRUPTION FROM WAYWARD POLITICIANS AND UNMINDFUL GOVERNMENT
4 EMPLOYEES. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

5

6 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I BELIEVE THERE WAS ONE OTHER
7 PERSON, OR WAS THAT THE -- SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, MOVED BY
8 YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY KNABE WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.
9 I'L CALL UP 31. GENEVIEVE? HERE SHE IS, GENEVIEVE.

10

11 **GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD AFTERNOON AGAIN, BOARD OF
12 SUPERVISORS. IN SOME WAY I'M SO GLAD WE ARE SPEAKING ABOUT THE
13 BROWN ACT BECAUSE THE ISSUE I HAVE WITH 31 IS AGAIN KIND OF A
14 VIOLATION OF THE BROWN ACT. I AM GLAD TO SEE THAT THE MONEY
15 WHICH HAD BEEN ALLOCATED FROM O.A. P.P. TO SALARY IS BEING
16 CONVERTED IN MONEY GOING FOR CARE. ACTUALLY FOR THE LAST TWO
17 OR THREE MONTHS I HAVE ASKED WHERE THAT \$1.3 MILLION HAVE GONE
18 AND KEPT SAYING, YOU KNOW, SHOW ME THE MONEY OR SHOW ME THE
19 EMPLOYEES. I GUESS THEY ARE SHOWING ME THE MONEY AND IT'S
20 GOING TO THE RIGHT PLACE. I'M EXCITED. BUT THE THING I AM
21 CONCERNED IS THAT WE HAVE NO IDENTIFICATION IN A SUPPORTING
22 DOCUMENT TODAY. WHERE IS THE MONEY GOING? WHICH AGENCY AND HOW
23 IT WAS DECIDED. I WAS LUCKY THAT MIKI JACKSON GOT A COPY AFTER
24 A LOT OF EFFORT FROM DR. SCHUNHOFF GIVING AN IDENTIFICATION OF
25 THE AGENCY RECEIVING THE MONEY. YOU KNOW, I WANT TO KNOW HOW



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1 THOSE DECISIONS WERE MADE. I'M VERY GLAD THE MONEY IS GOING TO
2 AGENCY BUT HOW WAS IT DECIDED TO DISTRIBUTE THAT MONEY? AND
3 WHY IS A DOCUMENT WAS NOT PROVIDED TO THE PUBLIC WHEN THEY
4 REQUEST SUPPORTED DOCUMENTS. BY THE WAY, I LOVE THAT BOARD.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT'S PRETTY GOOD, I DIDN'T KNOW THAT WAS
7 THERE. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: YOU KNOW, I'VE BEEN WORKING TO FIND
8 A GOOD PROGRAM, THAT WILL PICK UP MY ACCENT SO I WILL CHECK ON
9 THAT, YOU KNOW, WORKING WITH THIS, YOU ARE DOING SOMETHING
10 FANTASTIC I THINK THAT'S GREAT, I THINK THAT'S, YOU KNOW, THE
11 PEOPLE CAN HAVE IMMEDIATE FEEDBACK OF WHAT'S GOING ON IS
12 FANTASTIC. SO YOU HAVE A LOT OF GOOD MARKS FOR ME TODAY. BUT,
13 YOU KNOW, I STILL LIKE -- I WANTED TO KNOW HOW THOSE FUNDS ARE
14 DISTRIBUTED. AND WE'RE TALKING, YOU KNOW, THAT \$1.3 MILLION, I
15 WON'T COME BACK UNTIL I KNOW HOW, WHICH AGENCY HAS BEEN
16 IDENTIFIED. SO PLEASE, YOU KNOW, BE KIND TO ME AND DO THAT
17 SOON BEFORE I GET MORE GRAYER, YOU KNOW. THANK YOU FOR YOUR
18 ATTENTION.

19

20 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MOVED BY YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED
21 BY ANTONOVICH, WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT'S PRETTY GOOD.

24

25 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAM CHAIR, I HAVE TWO ADJOURNING MOTIONS.
3 FIRST I'D LIKE THE BOARD TO ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF TARA GLEN
4 COLEBURN, WHO WAS A FOUNDING MEMBER AND A LONG-TIME SUPPORTER
5 AND BENEFACTOR OF THE LOS ANGELES OPERA WHO PASSED AWAY ON
6 FRIDAY IN GENEVA, SWITZERLAND AT THE AGE OF 61. TARA COLEBURN
7 WAS REALLY A MAJOR FIGURE IN THE ARTS AND CULTURE IN LOS
8 ANGELES COUNTY. SHE WAS VERY INVOLVED WITH THE OPERA. SHE'S
9 PROBABLY MORE RESPONSIBLE THAN ANY SINGLE INDIVIDUAL FOR
10 GETTING THE SUBTITLES IN ENGLISH SO THOSE OF US MERE MORTALS
11 COULD UNDERSTAND WHAT THE OPERA WAS ABOUT, FOR WHICH I THINK
12 ALL OF US THANK HER. AND SHE HAD A NUMBER OF OTHER -- MADE A
13 NUMBER OF OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE COMMUNITY AND HER
14 UNTIMELY DEATH WILL BE A REAL LOSS TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY.
15 SECONDLY I WANT TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE -- ALL MEMBERS
16 ON TARA COLEBURN. I ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF JACK
17 STEIN WHO PASSED AWAY THIS MORNING. JACK WAS MY LANDLORD AT
18 THE -- WHEN I FIRST GOT ELECTED TO THE CITY COUNCIL ON
19 ROBERTSON BOULEVARD. HE OWNED THE BUILDING, STILL OWNED IT
20 THIS MORNING. WHERE MY FIELD OFFICE WAS FOR ALMOST 20 YEARS
21 AND FORMER COUNCILMAN EDELMAN HAD HIS OFFICE THERE FOR TEN
22 YEARS BEFORE THAT. HE WAS AN INCREDIBLE HUMAN BEING, A GREAT -
23 - GREAT PHILANTHROPIST AND A CLASS ACT AND HE'LL BE A REAL
24 LOSS. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, HARRIET, HIS CHILDREN AND



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1 I'VE LOST A VERY CLOSE FRIEND. THAT'S IT FOR MY ADJOURNING
2 MOTIONS, MADAM CHAIR. UNANIMOUS VOTE.

3

4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OH I HAVE A THIRD ONE. I'M SORRY. ONE MORE.
7 MANFRED JOSEPH SLAUSER, A LONG TIME RESIDENT OF TOPANGA,
8 PROFESSIONAL ARCHITECT AND COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER WHO PASSED AWAY
9 AT THE AGE OF 40. HE SERVED AS PRESIDENT OF THE TOPANGA TOWN
10 COUNCIL AND WAS A MEMBER OF THE TOPANGA COALITION FOR
11 EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, AND THE TOPANGA ARSON WATCH. HE WORKED
12 WITH US ALONG WITH THE TOWN COUNCIL ON THE LIBRARY WE'RE
13 TRYING TO GET FOR TOPANGA AND HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS PARENTS
14 DITA AND LIESEL, AND A SISTER SABINE. SO WE ADJOURN IN HIS
15 MEMORY, TOO. I WAS HOLDING ITEM 25, IT WAS MR. ANTONOVICH'S
16 MOTION AND I BELIEVE HE'S OKAY WITH THIS --

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** RIGHT, THAT'S FROM THE PUBLIC HEALTH
19 COMMISSION WANTING THAT AND THAT'S FINE, YOUR AMENDMENT.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YEAH TO HAVE THE COUNTY WORKING GROUP UNDER
22 NUTRITION AND FITNESS EXPANDED SCOPE OF WORK TO ADDRESS THE
23 ISSUES IN MR. ANTONOVICH'S MOTION. SO IF YOU'LL INCORPORATE IT
24 INTO YOURS AND JUST DO IT, THANK YOU.

25



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT'S FINE, SO MOVE AS AMENDED.

2

3 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SO MOVED AND SECONDED BY YAROSLAVSKY
4 WITHOUT OBJECTION SO ORDERED.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND THAT'S ALL I HAVE MADAM CHAIR.

7

8 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** RIGHT, SUPERVISOR KNABE?

9

10 **SUP. KNABE:** YES MADAM CHAIR, TODAY I MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN
11 MEMORY OF JUSTICE DAVID EGLESON, A FORMER STATE SUPREME COURT
12 MEMBER, HE PASSED AWAY OF CANCER ON FRIDAY, ALTHOUGH JUSTICE
13 EGLESON RETIRED FROM THE SUPREME COURT IN 1991 HE NEVER LOST
14 HIS PASSION FOR THE LAW. HE WAS APPOINTED TO THE STATE'S
15 HIGHEST COURT IN 1987, BY THEN GOVERNOR GEORGE DUKEMAGIAN. HE
16 WAS A GREAT JUSTICE, WHO INTERPRETED THE LAW NARROWLY AND
17 SERVED ON THE COURT FROM 1987 TO 1991. PREVIOUS TO HIS
18 APPOINTMENT, JUSTICE EGLESON SERVED US IN LAW IN LONG BEACH
19 BEFORE HE BEGAN HIS JUDICIAL CAREER WITH THE LOS ANGELES
20 COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT IN 1980, WHERE HE SERVED AS PRESIDING
21 JUDGE FROM 1981 TO '82. HE WAS PRESIDENT OF THE CALIFORNIA
22 JUDGE'S ASSOCIATION, WAS ELEVATED TO THE STATE'S SECOND
23 DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL WHERE HE SERVED UNTIL HIS APPOINTMENT
24 TO THE CALIFORNIA SUPREME COURT. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE
25 LILLIAN, DAUGHTERS VICKI AND ELIZABETH, AND FIVE



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1 GRANDCHILDREN. VERY SUDDEN, HE BECAME ILL JUST A FEW WEEKS AGO
2 AND HE WILL BE MISSED. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY TODAY OF
3 DR. HENRY MANSFIELD, JR., A 40-YEAR RESIDENT OF REDONDO BEACH,
4 HE'S A FORMER DEAN OF MATHEMATICS AND PHYSICAL SCIENCES AT EL
5 CAMINO COLLEGE. HE WAS A MEMBER OF NUMEROUS PROFESSIONAL
6 ORGANIZATIONS IN THE REDONDO BEACH ROTARY CLUB FOR DECADES,
7 HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, RITA. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN
8 MEMORY OF HERMAN MCGILL, A LONG TIME RESIDENT OF EL SEGUNDO,
9 WHO WAS ELECTED MAYOR IN 1964. HE MADE CITY HALL MORE BUSINESS
10 ORIENTED, HE HELPED REMOVE A TRAIN STATION AND PUT A PARK IN
11 THE CITY AND STAYED ACTIVE IN NUMEROUS COMMUNITY
12 ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING THE EL SEGUNDO LITTLE LEAGUE, YOUTH
13 COUNCIL, AND KIWANIS CLUB. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE ADELINE.
14 FINALLY THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF MR.WALTER HICKS, A LONG-
15 TIME RESIDENT OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES AND A PARTNER IN HICKS
16 STEEL PUBLICATIONS WHICH OWNS A CHAIN OF 38 NEWSPAPERS. HE
17 SERVED ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CALIFORNIA NEWSPAPER
18 PUBLISHERS ASSOCIATION, HE SERVED AS A MEMBER OF THE
19 METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT, WAS CHAIRMAN OF THE LOS ANGELES
20 COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY AND WAS NAMED RECIPIENT OF THE
21 FREEDOM FOUNDATION, GEORGE WASHINGTON MEDAL OF HONOR FOR
22 DISTINGUISHED COMMUNITY SERVICE. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS
23 DAUGHTER DONNA.

24



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1 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED. WOULD YOU TAKE OVER FOR A
2 MOMENT?

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** SURE. I HELD ITEM NUMBER 34 AND I GUESS THE
5 QUESTION I HAD IS THE C.A.O. AND I ASKED STEVE, IS THE PUBLIC
6 HEALTH LAB RELOCATION TO RANCHO SOUTH CAMPUS. I'M STRONGLY
7 SUPPORTIVE OF THIS EFFORT AS IT RELATES TO A BIOTERRORISM LAB
8 AND THE MOVEMENT, MY CONCERN BEING IS THAT, I MEAN HOW DOES IT
9 FIT IN THE PLANNING OF THIS WHOLE SITUATION? WE'VE GOT
10 EVERYONE'S RECOMMENDATION, EXCEPT MINE, I GUESS, TO CLOSE
11 RANCHO. A JUDGE THAT RULED TODAY TO KEEP IT OPEN FOR A WHILE,
12 BUT IN THE PLANNING PROCESS, ULTIMATELY IF YOU WERE TO CLOSE
13 RANCHO, WHAT HAPPENS?

14

15 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** AND SUPERVISOR KNABE, WE EVALUATED 19
16 DIFFERENT OPTIONS IN THE PLACEMENT OF THE LAB INCLUDING ITS
17 CURRENT PLACEMENT, WHICH IS IN THE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING.
18 AND FOR BASICALLY THREE REASONS. RANCHO CAME UP AT THE TOP OF
19 THE LIST OF ALTERNATIVES. A LOT OF THEM WERE ELIMINATED
20 BECAUSE THEY WERE TOO CLOSE TO ADDRESSES, THEY'RE CONCERNED
21 ABOUT THE ANTHRAX KIND OF WORK THAT'S BEING DONE IN THE LABS.
22 OTHER OPTIONS, THEY WOULD HAVE TO SHARE A SPACE WITH
23 INCOMPATIBLE EXISTING USES. THREE, THE SPACE IS TOO SMALL. AT
24 RANCHO, IT'S ADJACENT TO THE SHERIFF'S CRIME LAB, WHICH MAY OR



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1 MAY NOT BE CONSOLIDATED INTO THE CRIME LAB I GUESS BY THE TIME
2 IT'S DONE.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** YEAH, YOU KNOW, FROM A LOCATION STANDPOINT DAVID I
5 UNDERSTAND THAT IT'S A GOOD LOCATION, IT'S A VERY GOOD
6 LOCATION, BUT DOWN THE ROAD I'M TRYING TO THINK OF THE FUTURE,
7 I MEAN WHAT HAPPENS IF YOUR SUCCESSFUL IN YOUR RECOMMENDATION
8 TO CLOSE RANCHO? I MEAN HOW DOES THAT WORK INTO THE WHOLE
9 PLANNING PROCESS? ARE WE DOING SOMETHING, BUILD A STATE OF THE
10 ART FACILITY THAT AT SOME POINT WE MIGHT HAVE TO REMOVE OR
11 CHANGE?

12

13 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WELL I MEAN IT'S -- THE ANSWER IS IT COULD, I
14 MEAN THERE'S NO WAY TO SAY THAT IT COULDN'T. BUT THE LOCATION
15 ON THE PROPERTY, ALL THE WORK THAT WE'VE DONE SO FAR ON RANCHO
16 INDICATES THIS IS A PARCEL THAT WOULD BE KEPT BY THE COUNTY,
17 IT'S NEVER BEEN PROPOSED TO BE DEVELOPED, WE DON'T ANTICIPATE
18 IT BEING DEVELOPED, WE THINK COUNTY USE IS APPROPRIATE. GIVEN
19 THAT THERE ARE NO OTHER OPTIONS THAT WE'RE AWARE OF AND WE
20 ALSO BELIEVE THAT THIS IS A VERY HIGH PRIORITY, RANCHO IS AN
21 EXCELLENT PLACEMENT FOR THIS LAB, AND IT IS NOT INCONSISTENT
22 WITH EVERYTHING THAT WE'VE LOOKED AT SO FAR OR OUGHT TO LOOK
23 AT IN THE FUTURE. I DON'T KNOW WHAT ELSE TO SAY, I MEAN THE
24 PROPERTY ONCE YOU USE IT OBVIOUSLY IS TIED UP, BUT IT'S
25 ADJACENT TO EXISTING PRIVATE -- OF THE DEVELOPED PROPERTY, THE



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1 HOSPITAL FACILITY IS ON THE OTHER END OF THE CAMPUS, SHOULD WE
2 EVER CLOSE IT, IT'S A LONG WAY FROM THE HOSPITAL.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL I UNDERSTAND, BUT IT'S ON THE SIDE OF WHERE
5 THEY'RE LOOKING FOR OTHER POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES.

6

7 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** IT IS -- IT IS ADJACENT TO PROPERTY THAT'S
8 ALREADY PRIVATELY DEVELOPED, RIGHT, AND NOT IMMEDIATELY
9 ADJACENT TO THE HISTORIC CORE, THE BUILDING IS NOT HISTORIC,
10 BUT IT IS --

11

12 **SUP. KNABE:** MEANING FROM A PLANNING STANDPOINT ANY FURTHER
13 BUILD-OUT WOULD BE ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF THE CAMPUS, AND I
14 GUESS MY CONCERN IS NOT SO MUCH THAT WE DON'T NEED IT AND WE
15 HAVE THE DOLLARS TO DO IT AND IT'S A GREAT LOCATION, BUT --

16

17 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WELL I GUESS ABOUT ALL I CAN SAY IS THAT THIS
18 IS AS FAR AS WE'RE CONCERNED AT THIS POINT, THIS IS A HIGHER
19 PRIORITY THAN THE POTENTIAL LONG-TERM USE OF THAT SAME
20 PROPERTY.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE:** SO YOU THINK THAT THE COUNTY IS INTERESTED IN
23 USING THE SOUTH CAMPUS, THEN? [LIGHT LAUGHTER]

24

25 **SUP. KNABE:** I HAD TO GET AROUND TO THAT QUESTION.



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2 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WE'D CERTAINLY WANT TO WORK WITH THE CITY OF
3 DOWNEY TO DEVELOP THE PROPERTY.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE:** (LAUGHTER). OKAY. ALL RIGHT, GOT THAT ANSWER. IS
6 THAT ON TAPE? YEAH. OKAY. WITH THAT, I -- MADAM CHAIR, I'D
7 MOVE THE ITEM.

8

9 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IT'S MOVED AND SECONDED BY ANTONOVICH.
10 SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE:** THAT'S ALL I HAD.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN
15 MEMORY OF JUSTICE DAVID EGLESON. I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY AS
16 CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD WORKING WITH DAVE WHEN HE WAS A
17 PRESIDING JUDGE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND WHEN HE MOVED UP TO
18 THE COURT OF APPEAL AND THEN THE SUPREME COURT. WE'RE VERY
19 PLEASED, HE WAS ALSO THE MASTER IN THE TUTOR SOLIBA CASE,
20 WHERE HE WAS ABLE TO PROVIDE WISE RULINGS. HE WAS QUITE
21 INVOLVED IN HIS COMMUNITY AND A VERY NICE, DECENT HUMAN BEING.
22 ALSO, BEVERLY SOLATA, THE WIFE OF PAUL SOLATA, THE FORMER ALL-
23 AMERICAN U.S.C. --

24



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MIKE COULD WE DO -- COULD WE ALL JOIN WITH
2 YOU ON THE EGLESON?

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** RIGHT. OKAY, AND ALSO PLAYED WITH THE SAN
5 FRANCISCO 49ERS FOR SO MANY YEARS AND THEN ACTIVE WITH SOME OF
6 SHELDON LEONARD'S MOTION PICTURES. BEVERLY WAS VERY -- PART OF
7 PAUL'S SUCCESS AND INSPIRATION. SHE WAS A BEAUTIFUL LADY AND
8 SHE PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 67 WITH CANCER. ALSO, DEWY
9 TERRY. HE WAS PART OF THE DON AND DEWY RHYTHM AND BLUES GROUP
10 WHO DID "I'M LEAVING IT ALL UP TO YOU" AND MANY OTHER
11 OUTSTANDING NUMBER ONE RECORDING STARS. DEWY WAS A FRIEND WHO
12 WAS GOING TO BE PERFORMING AT OUR ROCK AND ROLL SHOW THAT
13 WE'RE DOING NEXT MONTH AT BONELLI PARK ALONG WITH A NUMBER OF
14 THE OTHER JAY AND THE AMERICANS AND SAGERLY AND ALL THE OTHER
15 GROUPS THAT WILL BE PERFORMING. HE PASSED AWAY THIS PAST WEEK
16 ON MAY 11TH AT THE AGE OF 85. HE WAS ALSO QUITE INVOLVED IN
17 OUR ALTADENA COMMUNITY AND WAS A VERY NICE, DECENT MAN.
18 BEVERLY JEAN ISAAC STORY WHO WORKED AT HIGH DESERT HOSPITAL
19 AND WAS ACTIVE IN THE GREATER EPHESIANS MISSIONARY BAPTIST
20 CHURCH IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. PAUL SIMON, WHO WORKED FOR LOS
21 ANGELES COUNTY AT BRACKET AIRFIELD AND FOX AIRFIELD IN THE
22 ANTELOPE VALLEY. CLARENCE ROTMAN, A LONG-TIME ANTELOPE VALLEY
23 RESIDENT. HE WAS THE SUPERVISOR FOR THE ANTELOPE VALLEY
24 SCHOOLS TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR THE PAST 39 YEARS AND ACTIVE
25 IN THE FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH. GEORGE MULLERSHOWN, WHO



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1 WAS OVER 30 YEARS WITH E.F. HUTTON, ACTIVE IN THE SAN GABRIEL
2 VALLEY. DR. THEODORE MULLER, WHO WAS A SURGEON FOR 39 YEARS,
3 27 OF THOSE IN COVINA AND WEST COVINA. HE WAS THE MEMBER OF
4 THE MEDICAL STAFF AT THE QUEEN OF THE VALLEY HOSPITAL AND THE
5 INNER COMMUNITY MEDICAL CENTER. JEWELS LEVY, WHO, WHILE IN THE
6 SERVICE HE MET ARTHUR GARDNER AND ARNOLD LAVAN, WHICH LED THE
7 THREE TO CREATE THE HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL PRODUCTION COMPANY THAT
8 THEY OWNED AND THEY PRODUCED 'THE RIFLEMAN,' 'THE BIG VALLEY,'
9 AND HE WAS ALSO SERVED UNDER THE COMMANDING OFFICER, RONALD
10 REAGAN, DURING WORLD WAR II IN THE U.S. ARMY AIR CORPS AND
11 LATER REAGAN BECOMES PRESIDENT AND HE BECOMES HEAD OF THIS
12 GREAT MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COMPANY. THOMAS KENNEDY, WHO
13 PASSED AWAY THIS PAST WEEK. HE WAS -- SERVED 10 YEARS ON THE
14 GLENDALE SERVICE COMMISSION AND 34 YEARS AS PAST PRESIDENT OF
15 THE GLENDALE BAR ASSOCIATION. ELLIE HYDE, LA CANADA, ACTIVE
16 WITH THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN AND THE
17 DESCONSO GARDEN SKILL, AND THE LA CANADA REPUBLICAN WOMEN'S
18 CLUB. HERMALINDA RAMIREZ DE CRUZ, WHO WAS THE MOTHER OF RUBIN
19 CRUZ, L.A. COUNTY'S PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT. AND WARD COB, THE
20 FORMER PRESIDENT OF THE LANCASTER ROTARY CLUB.

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22 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED.

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24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT'S ALL I HAVE.



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1 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ANYTHING FURTHER? IF NOT, PUBLIC COMMENT.
2 WE HAVE HARRY WAYNE BEY, MARILYN PRICE AND THOMAS BARRON,
3 WOULD YOU PLEASE COME FORWARD?

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5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HARRY, YOU'RE A VERY PATIENT MAN.

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7 **HARRY WAYNE BEY:** I ALWAYS LIKE TO GIVE PRAISE TO GOD WHEN I --
8 BEFORE I EVER GET AN AWARD. AND WITH ALL DUE RESPECT TO ALL
9 THE MAJOR RELIGIOUS BELIEFS HERE, I, AS A CHRISTIAN, OWE ALL
10 THE PRAISE, HONOR, AND GLORY TO MY LORD JESUS CHRIST. YOU
11 KNOW, I'M VERY HONORED WHEN I TOOK AN OATH HERE AT THE COUNTY,
12 WHEN WE DID THE N.A.G. -- THE L.A. COUNTY N.A.G. GANG TASK
13 FORCE, FOR 35 YEARS, I HAVE VOLUNTEERED MY SERVICES TO THE
14 COUNTY, I HAVE BEEN EXPOSED TO EVERY TYPE OF PEOPLE FROM
15 MURDERERS TO RAPISTS TO HOMELESS PEOPLE, BUT I NEVER, EVER
16 ONCE JUDGED THEM. I SAW GOD WITHIN THOSE PEOPLE AND TRIED TO
17 MAKE THEM CONSTRUCTIVE AND PRODUCTIVE MEMBERS OF SOCIETY.
18 THERE'S SO MANY PEOPLE I'D LIKE TO THANK. I MEAN, KENNY PASSED
19 AWAY AND HIS OFFICE WAS ALWAYS OPEN. THERE WAS A TIME WHEN YOU
20 COULD WALK IN THESE BUILDINGS AND IT WAS REALLY EASY, BUT
21 MIKE, WE GO BACK, WHEN YOU HAD ALL YOUR BLONDE HAIR, AND I HAD
22 HAIR, SO THAT'S HOW FAR WE GO BACK, AND

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24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I'M KEEPING MINE.

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1 **HARRY WAYNE BEY:** YEAH, AND YOU -- WHAT I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR
2 IS MIKE -- WELL I'LL START WITH GLORIA, WHEN SHE WAS BEFORE --
3 WHEN SHE RAN FOR COUNCIL, SHE HAD OFFICES ON OLYMPIC AND
4 ELDORADO. I DON'T KNOW IF SHE REMEMBERS ME. ZEV YAROSLAVSKY,
5 YOU HAD YOUR BEARD WHEN WE GO BACK THAT FAR. AND MR. KNABE,
6 I'VE BEEN IN YOUR DISTRICT AT CHURCHES I'VE SPOKEN AT, BUT
7 I'VE NEVER HAD THE PRIVILEGE AND HONOR TO MEET YOU. AND MS.
8 BURKE, TO ME YOU'RE A CLASSY LADY FROM THE WORD GO, ALWAYS
9 HAVE BEEN, ALWAYS WILL BE, AND YOUR OFFICES HAVE ALWAYS BEEN
10 OPEN, AND I DO APPRECIATE THAT. BUT MIKE, I WANT TO THANK YOU
11 FROM THE BOTTOM OF MY HEART BECAUSE YOU'VE ALWAYS, IN THE
12 PAST, TAKEN FLACK. WELL, RECENTLY, WHEN I TOOK THAT OATH TO
13 DEFEND, I GOT AN AWARD FROM THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF
14 CALIFORNIA FOR HELPING OUR STATE, OUR COUNTY, AND OUR CITY,
15 NOT ONLY TO FIGHT TERRORISM, BUT TO EXPOSE IT, AND THAT'S A
16 VERY DANGEROUS THING, AND I TOOK THAT ON WILLINGLY BECAUSE I
17 LOVE MY COUNTRY AND I'M A PATRIOT AND I'M PROUD TO BE AN
18 AMERICAN, I REALLY, REALLY AM, AND TO COME HERE, I JUST WANTED
19 TO THANK YOU FROM THE BOTTOM OF MY HEART. MY GOD -- THERE'S
20 NOT WORDS I CAN SAY TO EXPRESS MY THANKS TO YOU, THERE REALLY
21 ISN'T, YOU KNOW, IT'S JUST THAT I GO BACK WITH HIM THE LONGEST
22 AND HE HAS TAKEN A LOT OF WORDS ABOUT ME PRO AND CON, BUT HE
23 ALWAYS STOOD BY ME, AND TO ME, THAT'S THE KINDS OF PERSON I
24 LIKE, SOMEONE WHO'S LOYAL THAT WAY, AND I THINK YOU'VE DONE AN
25 OUTSTANDING JOB EVER SINCE YOU'VE BEEN A SUPERVISOR, AND I WAS



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1 GLAD TO SUPPORT YOU WHEN YOU WERE RAN FOR OFFICE AND I'M GLAD
2 THAT YOU ARE IN OFFICE. YOU'RE AN ASSET TO THE L.A. COUNTY
3 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AND I DON'T CARE WHAT ANYONE SAYS,
4 YOU'VE ALWAYS BEEN THERE WHEN GIRLS, RAPE GROUPS, BATTERED
5 GROUPS, BEFORE IT WAS EVEN SOCIALLY OR POLITICALLY POPULAR, I
6 MIGHT ADD, HE TOOK A STAND, AND I SAY THAT REALLY WHOLEHEARTED
7 BECAUSE HE DID A LOT IN THE CITY I GREW UP IN. AND WHEN I GREW
8 UP, THE CITY I GREW UP, I FOUGHT THE NAZIS, THE KKK, I MEAN,
9 YOU KNOW, GLENDALE IN THE '60S REALLY WASN'T THE GREATEST
10 PLACE, BUT I MEAN I WAS GLAD THAT I STOOD UP AGAINST RACISM,
11 ANTI-SEMITISM AND BIGOTRY, AND MY PARENTS INSTILLED THAT IN
12 ME, AND MIKE, NEVER ONCE, EVER ONCE, DID HE EVER TURN HIS BACK
13 ON THOSE THINGS. HE STOOD FAST ON THOSE THINGS, AND I'M PROUD
14 TO HAVE HAD THAT KIND OF RELATIONSHIP WITH YOU, NOT A BUSINESS
15 ONE, NOT EVEN A CLERICAL ONE, BUT I'M JUST GLAD THAT, MIKE,
16 FROM THE BOTTOM OF MY HEART, I THANK YOU. AND ZEV, WHEN YOUR
17 SECRETARY ASKED ME --, "WELL, THANK YOU VERY MUCH ALL OF YOU,
18 GOD BLESS YOU.

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20 **MARILYN PRICE:** MARILYN PRICE. I AM MARILYN PRICE, THE
21 HOMEOWNER OF THE REAL PROPERTY SITUATED AT 820822 SOUTH
22 STANLEY AVENUE, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, 90036, LOT 78, TRACT
23 5194, AND I HAVE BEEN THE TITLE OWNER AS RECORDED IN THE
24 OFFICIAL RECORDS OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY RECORDER'S OFFICE
25 PURSUANT TO THE PROBATE DECREE OF FINAL DISTRIBUTION, WHEREBY



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1 THREE HEIRS, AND FROM THE ESTATE OF ALLIE MAE PRICE, DECEASED,
2 WHO IS MY MOTHER. THREE HEIRS, BETTY JEAN WARRIOR, ONE-THIRD,
3 MARILYN PRICE, ONE-THIRD, AND SID LEWIS DAVIS, ONE-THIRD. WE
4 WERE PROBATED, THIS PROPERTY, PURSUANT TO AN ORDER OF THE LOS
5 ANGELES SUPERIOR COURT PROBATE DECREE OF FINAL DISTRIBUTION. I
6 AM THE ADMINISTRATRIX OF THAT ESTATE PURSUANT TO THAT COURT
7 ORDER AND PROBATE DECREE. I AM -- THE PROPERTY -- THE REAL
8 PROPERTY WAS ALSO LEFT IN THE HANDS OF MARILYN PRICE AND IN
9 POSSESSION OF MARILYN PRICE PURSUANT TO THAT PROBATE DECREE,
10 WHICH IS RECORDED IN THE OFFICIAL RECORDS OF THE LOS ANGELES
11 COUNTY RECORDER'S OFFICE IN BOOK D 7119, PAGES 134 THROUGH
12 136, WHEREBY THE DISTRIBUTION LIES, AND THE ORDER FOR
13 POSSESSION OF THE REAL PROPERTY, PURSUANT TO THE JUDICIALLY-
14 PRESUMED DOCUMENT, AND NOT A FRAUDULENT DEED. I'M HERE BECAUSE
15 I HAVE BEEN UNLAWFULLY DISPOSSESSED FROM MY REAL PROPERTY
16 OWNED SINCE -- SINCE THE PROBATE DECREE OF FINAL DISTRIBUTION
17 ON MAY 24TH, 1976, WHICH IS RECORDED IN THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
18 RECORDER'S OFFICE, PURSUANT TO THE BOOK I JUST GAVE YOU AND AS
19 DOCUMENT NUMBER 4867. ALSO, I AM THE TWO-THIRDS OWNER OF THAT
20 REAL PROPERTY PURSUANT TO SID LEWIS DAVIS HAVING CONVEYED HIS
21 ONE-THIRD JUDICIALLY-PRESUMED INTEREST TO MARILYN PRICE
22 PURSUANT TO A QUITCLAIM DEED EXECUTED DECEMBER 29TH, 1976,
23 WHEREBY I AM THE LEGALLY ENTITLED OWNER OF THAT PROPERTY
24 PURSUANT TO JUDICIAL PRESUMPTION AND NOT FRAUDULENT DEEDS
25 WHICH HAVE BEEN RECORDED AGAINST THE PROPERTY. I AM THE VICTIM



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1 OF CRIME AND FRAUD BY THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY MARSHAL'S OFFICE,
2 WHEN IT WAS THE MARSHAL'S OFFICE. A LOS ANGELES COUNTY MARSHAL
3 BY THE NAME OF KRAMER ALLEGED THAT HE SOLD THE REAL PROPERTY
4 LOCATED IN THE MIRACLE MILE WITH MY TITLE FOR \$25 OUT OF A
5 SMALL CLAIMS JUDGMENT WHICH WE ALL KNOW IS FRAUD, YOU CANNOT
6 DO THAT. I HAD A TWO-THIRDS INTEREST IN PROPERTY VALUED AT
7 SOME OVER \$680,000 AND HE SOLD IT FOR \$25 AT A FORECLOSURE
8 SALE. THESE DOCUMENTS ARE ALL FRAUDULENT, RECORDED, AND HAVE
9 CAUSED ME TO SUFFER AND BE DISPOSSESSED, HOMELESS, WITHOUT
10 SHELTER, AND MY REAL PROPERTY. I AM PETITIONING THE COUNTY. I
11 SEE THE TIME. I'D LIKE TO GET A SECOND HERE FOR YOU TO LOOK AT
12 THE DOCUMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN LEFT WITH ALL OF THE INDIVIDUAL
13 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, YOURSELF, MRS. BRATHWAITE-BURKE,
14 AND ALL THE OTHERS. AND I'D LIKE TO SAY, THIS PROPERTY WAS PRO
15 -- THE LATE -- WELL, HE'S NOT LATE, THE -- WILLIAM C. BEVERLY,
16 JR. WAS THE PROBATE, HE'S IN THE APPELLATE DIVISION OF THE
17 SUPERIOR COURT, WAS A PROBATE ATTORNEY, AND HE WAS IN LONG
18 BEACH AT THAT TIME IN MR. KNABE'S DISTRICT, AND MISS DOROTHY
19 HICKS AS PUBLIC ADMINISTRATORS. THEY DID THE PROBATE ON IT. SO
20 I'D LIKE TO PETITION THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF
21 SUPERVISORS TO SEE THAT MY TITLE IS PLACED BACK ON RECORD AS
22 WAS DONE BY THE HOMEOWNERS INVESTIGATION DIVISION ON FEBRUARY
23 THE 8TH OF 2000 SO THAT I MAY GAIN ACCESS TO MY RESIDENCE --
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25 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT.



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2 **MARILYN PRICE:** USE THE SHELTER --

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4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT.

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6 **MARILYN PRICE:** I'VE DELIVERED ALL OF THE LEGAL DOCUMENTS TO
7 YOUR VARIOUS OFFICES AND I HOPE --

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9 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** JUST A SECOND. OKAY. WE ARE GOING TO HAVE
10 TO REFER YOU TO THE COUNTY COUNSEL FOR HIM TO GIVE YOU
11 WHATEVER HE CAN TELL YOU EXACTLY WHAT IT LOOKS LIKE IN
12 REVIEWING IT AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS, THEY CAN TRY TO LOOK AT IT
13 AND SEE IF THERE'S ANY WAY THAT WE CAN ASSIST YOU. YOU KNOW,
14 IF WE CAN'T INTERVENE IN COURT CASES --

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16 **MARILYN PRICE:** THE COURT --

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18 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WAIT A MINUTE, WAIT A MINUTE.

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20 **MARILYN PRICE:** GO AHEAD.

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22 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IF YOU HAVE A PROBLEM ABOUT YOUR REAL
23 ESTATE, YOU'RE EITHER GOING TO HAVE TO GO TO COURT AND GET A
24 REQUIRED TITLE OR DECLARATORY RELIEF AS IT RELATES TO WHO OWNS
25 IT IF THEY PUT YOU OUT AND GET IT ALL STRAIGHTENED OUT BY NOW,



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1 NOT SOMETHING THAT HAPPENED IN '76, YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE TO
2 HAVE SOMETHING RIGHT NOW, BUT THE COUNTY COUNSEL WILL HAVE
3 SOMEONE IN THEIR OFFICE LOOK AT IT TELL YOU EXACTLY WHAT YOU
4 HAVE TO DO.

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6 **MARILYN PRICE:** MAY I SAY ONE THING, THE TITLE WILL BE
7 SUPPRESSED, THIS WAS STRAIGHTENED OUT BY THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE
8 ALREADY AND IT HAS GONE THROUGH ALL LITIGATION. THERE'S A
9 JUDGMENT, RETURNING THE FUNDS TO BETTY JEAN WARRIOR FOR
10 ALLEGEDLY HAVING PURCHASED THE REAL PROPERTY, WHICH IS IN
11 VIOLATION OF ITS STATUTE AND LAW, OF STEWART VERSUS SHERMAN.
12 THERE IS -- THE COURTS HAVE PLACED ME IN POSSESSION OVER AND
13 OVER. THE SUPERIOR COURTS, WHO HAVE THE RIGHT TO HEAR TITLE,
14 AND THE MUNICIPAL COURTS DECIDE THEY'RE GOING TO TAKE ME ON.

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16 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WHATEVER YOUR PROBLEM IS SOMEONE'S IN THE
17 HOUSE THAT, A RELATIVE, RIGHT, YOUR SISTER OR SOMEBODY IS IN
18 THE HOUSE OR?

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20 **MARILYN PRICE:** NO, SHE'S NEVER LIVED THERE, SHE'S LIVED IN HER
21 --

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23 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** OKAY WHO'S IN THE HOUSE NOW, WHO LIVES IN
24 THE HOUSE NOW?

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1 **MARILYN PRICE:** HER 47-YEAR-OLD SON WHILE I'M HOMELESS, AND
2 THAT IS MY HOUSE AND MY MOTHER LEFT AN AFFIDAVIT AS TO HER
3 INTENTIONS OF HER WILL. THE PROBATE COURT FOLLOWED THE ORDERS
4 AND PLACED ME IN LEGAL POSSESSION AS THE ADMINISTRATRIX AND MY
5 BROTHER --

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7 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THE COUNTY COUNSEL WILL TELL YOU
8 WHAT YOU HAVE TO DO TO GET POSSESSION OF IT. OKAY, HE'LL MEET
9 WITH YOU AND TELL YOU.

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11 **MARILYN PRICE:** BUT I'D LIKE TO ASK YOU ALL FOR AN EXECUTIVE
12 ORDER.

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14 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WE CANNOT DO THAT. WE DON'T HAVE THE
15 AUTHORITY TO DO IT. WE ONLY -- WE CANNOT ORDER ANY KIND OF
16 PROPERTY DETERMINATION. THAT'S ONLY WITHIN THE COURT.

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18 **MARILYN PRICE:** IT'S WITHIN THE RECORD, IT'S RECORDED IN YOUR
19 OFFICIAL RECORDS. THERE IS NO MORE COURT LITIGATION.

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21 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** OKAY, ALL RIGHT, THE ONLY THING I CAN SAY
22 TO YOU IS THAT, AND THE COUNTY COUNSEL CAN TELL YOU EXACTLY
23 WHAT OUR AUTHORITY IS, MY UNDERSTANDING OF OUR AUTHORITY IS
24 THAT WE CAN'T ORDER ANYONE TO MOVE OUT OF PROPERTY, WE CANNOT
25 GIVE PROPERTY, DETERMINE PROPERTY, OR DETERMINE WHO OWNS IT,



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1 AND THE COUNTY COUNSEL HAS SOMEONE FROM HIS OFFICE TO TALK TO
2 YOU.

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4 **MARILYN PRICE:** OKAY HE CAN TALK TO ME, BUT IT'S -- YOU ALL ARE
5 THE RECORD KEEPER, SO I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHAT THE CONTROVERSY
6 IS ABOUT. IT'S RECORDED IN YOUR OFFICIAL RECORDS.

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8 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WAIT A MINUTE. WE MAY KEEP THE RECORDS, BUT
9 WE CANNOT EXECUTE ON THEM. YOUR NAME, PLEASE.

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11 **THOMAS BARRON:** MY NAME IS THOMAS BARRON AND I'M A RESIDENT OF
12 SAUGUS. AND THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR FOR YOUR ATTENTION AGAIN ON
13 THE NEWHALL RANCH PROJECT YOU JUST VOTED FOR. I'D LIKE TO HELP
14 YOU CLEAR UP A COUPLE OF ISSUES THAT CAME UP IN YOUR
15 INTERROGATORY ABOUT TRAFFIC IMPACTS. YOU DIDN'T GET A
16 SATISFACTORY ANSWER ABOUT HOW THE TRAFFIC PROJECTIONS WERE
17 ARRIVED AT AND ALSO, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY WAS DOING HIS OWN
18 THUMBNAIL MATH ON THE IMPACTS, AGAIN QUESTIONING THE
19 ASSUMPTIONS OF THE PLANNERS. I LIVE AT THE FAR END OF THIS
20 TRAFFIC FLOW AND HAVE COMMUTED TO MY HOLLYWOOD STUDIO FOR THE
21 LAST 28 YEARS. I KNOW THESE CUMULATIVE IMPACTS FIRSTHAND AND
22 THEY ALREADY ARE TERRIBLE, BUT MADAM CHAIRMAN, YOUR NUMBERS
23 DID NOT INCLUDE THE DELIVERIES MADE TO BUSINESSES, THE
24 AFFLUENT SHOPPERS ENJOYING THE NEW RETAIL, AND THE MANY
25 WORKERS WHOSE JOBS WILL BRING THEM INTO THE VALLEY THAT ARE



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1 ALREADY BUILT ENTER INTO THESE PROJECTIONS. THIS INCREASE IN
2 ECONOMIC ACTIVITY IS THE PRINCIPAL BOON OF THIS DEVELOPMENT.
3 BIG CONSTRUCTION JOBS AND HOME SALES. YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT A
4 NEW CITY, 70,000 PEOPLE SITTING ON A SECONDARY HIGHWAY WHERE
5 ONLY A FEW COWBOYS LIVE RIGHT NOW. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY GOT
6 THE PICTURE OF THE 10-FOLD INCREASE IN ENTITLEMENTS, BUT
7 REMEMBER, THOSE HOMES ARE NOT YET BUILT. THESE IMPACTS ARE
8 ALTOGETHER NEW TO THE SITE. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY WAS TRYING
9 TO VISUALIZE THE INCREASE IN TRAFFIC ON I-5 IN SYLMAR WHERE
10 THEY COME TOGETHER, ADDING THE PROJECTIONS TO CREATE A JAW-
11 DROPPING SCENARIO OF GRIDLOCK LIKE THAT IN WEST LOS ANGELES.
12 HE NEGLECTED TO ADD IN THE OTHER TRAFFIC IMPACTS ALREADY
13 ANTICIPATED FOR THIS SLOT. THERE ARE 50,000 APPROVED BUT YET
14 UNBUILT UNITS IN SANTA CLARITA IN ADDITION TO WHAT YOU JUST
15 APPROVED FOR THE NEWHALL RANCH PROJECT. IT IS OBVIOUS THAT YOU
16 DON'T HAVE A CLEAR VIEW OF THESE CUMULATIVE IMPACTS AND YOUR
17 VOTES ARE GOING TO DOUBLE THE POPULATION OF SANTA CLARITA,
18 WHICH IS ALREADY SUFFERING TRAFFIC JAMS, AIR POLLUTION, AND
19 HASSLES MOST PEOPLE THOUGHT THEY LEFT BEHIND WHEN THEY LEFT
20 YOUR OTHER DISTRICTS PURSUING THEIR AFFLUENT LIFESTYLES IN
21 SANTA CLARITA. BUT I HAVE SOME ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE TO SHARE,
22 AND THAT WAS THE ATTEMPT TO WORK, TRYING TO REDESIGN WITH
23 PUBLIC WORKS, PICO CANYON ROAD TO PROTECT OLD GLORY. YOU
24 UNDOUBTEDLY REMEMBER THE ALTERNATE ROAD PLAN PROPOSALS THAT
25 WERE WELL PUBLICIZED. WORKING WITH SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH'S



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1 FORMER PLANNING DEPUTY, O'CONNELL MCNAMARA, AND SENIOR MEMBERS
2 OF PUBLIC WORKS, WE DISCOVERED THERE WAS NO WAY TO MODIFY THE
3 EXPANSION OF THIS QUIET COUNTRY ROAD INTO A FULL-SIZED 60-
4 MILE-AN-HOUR DESIGN SPEED BECAUSE THERE WAS ALREADY THE
5 PRESUMPTION OF THE NEWHALL EXPANSION. PUBLIC WORKS IS ALREADY
6 WORKING WITH A PLAN THAT PRESUPPOSES THIS MIND BOGGLING
7 GROWTH. IN FACT IT REQUIRES THE CONSTRUCTION OF THIS GROWTH-
8 ENABLING INFRASTRUCTURE BY LAW. WHY NOT SCHEDULE A DEBRIEFING
9 BY PUBLIC WORKS AND HAVE THEM DISCLOSE THESE PLANS WHICH
10 CERTAINLY WILL BE A SOBERING LOOK AT THIS ANTICIPATED
11 EXPLOSIVE GROWTH. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, I WOULD LIKE TO
12 THANK YOU PERSONALLY FOR YOUR ARTICULATE POSITION ON URBAN
13 SPRAWL. BUT YOU CAN FOLLOW UP THESE ISSUES AT THE TRACT MAP
14 LEVEL, REMEMBER THAT EACH PHASE OF THIS PROJECT HAS TO COME
15 BEFORE YOU AGAIN. PERHAPS WE, TOGETHER, CAN PERSUADE THE OTHER
16 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD TO CURB THEIR ARDOR FOR THIS UNBRIDLED
17 DEVELOPMENT GUARANTEED TO ROB THE VITALITY OF THEIR DISTRICTS.
18 THANK YOU.

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20 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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22 **HARRY WAYNE BEY:** MADAM CHAIR, I JUST WANT TO SAY ONE THING. I
23 DIDN'T -- GOD BLESS THE MEN AND WOMEN IN LAW ENFORCEMENT, OUR
24 FIRE FIGHTERS AND OUR TEACHERS, AND GOD BLESS OUR PRESIDENT.



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1 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT YES.

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3 **HARRY WAYNE BEY:** THANK YOU.

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5 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT
6 REQUIREMENTS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF
7 SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM CS-
8 1, CS-2, AND CS-3, CONFERENCES WITH LEGAL COUNCIL REGARDING
9 EXISTING LITIGATION, ITEM CS-4, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL
10 REGARDING SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION, ONE CASE, AND
11 ITEM CS-5, CONSIDERATION OF DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE
12 EVALUATIONS AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. THANK YOU.

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1 **NOTICE OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION**

2 **TUESDAY, MAY 27, 2003.**

3 There was no reportable action as a result of today's closed
4 session.

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